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INTRODUCTION

An important function of the Bureau of Topographic and Geologic Survey is to provide accurate, timely information on Pennsylvania's bituminous coal. To achieve this goal, the Bureau is working in cooperation with the U.S. Geological Survey to establish the National Coal Resources Data System (NCRDS). NCRDS is a computer data system developed by the U.S. Geological Survey to facilitate coal-resource calculations for the nation on a county-by-county and seam-by-seam basis, and to produce various kinds of tables and maps of coal characteristics.

Before NCRDS can be used for a particular bituminous-coal-producing county, all available data on the coal must be entered into the computer system. These data include site-specific (point-location) stratigraphic measurements and coal analyses, and specific map elements compiled on 7½-minute topographic quadrangle maps. The map elements, which include coal outcrop lines and mined-out areas, are digitized and stored in the system for subsequent computer manipulations.

Inasmuch as the maps showing coal outcrop lines and mined-out areas are in constant demand by the coal industry, consultants, planners, government personnel, and academicians, they are being made available in this publication. These maps will be of considerable help in planning exploration programs, land acquisition, land use planning, and environmental protection.

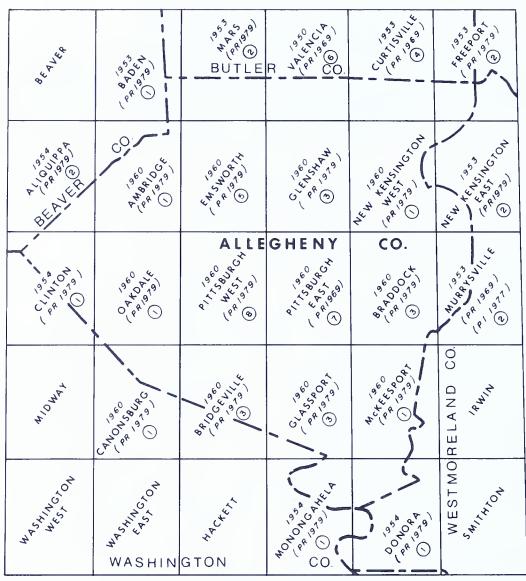
In Part 1 for Allegheny County, two kinds of coal maps may be included for each 7½-minute topographic quadrangle map (Figure 1). First, for each of the principal (principally mined) coal seams in a given quadrangle, there is a map showing

(1) the coal outcrop (crop line) where the coal is present and its horizon where it is probably thin or absent; (2) areas where the coal is known to be absent because of seam discontinuities (shown by lines that commonly cut across topography, denoting approximate limits of preserved coal); and (3) the extent of all known strip and deep mining up to the time of compilation (1979–1980, 1984). Note that all coal areas on these maps are closed or bounded so that they can be used to calculate areas for coalresource estimates. Second, for each quadrangle, there is a composite coal-crop map that includes the known extent of principal and minor coals, structure contours, and fold axes. The maps contain information on sources of published and unpublished data, map reliability, map symbols, structurecontour intervals and datums, and names of fold axes. The general layout of the compilation maps is shown in Figure 2.

Map reliability terms for crop lines and structure contours are relative and somewhat subjective. Nevertheless, these terms can be quantified and are approximately as follows: very good, ± 10 feet; and good, ± 20 feet.

Other parts for Allegheny County will be published subsequently and will contain tabular information on the coal resources of the county and computer-generated thickness and quality maps of the principal coals. Where sufficient data are available, the quality maps will show trends for sulfur, heat value, ash content, fixed carbon, volatiles, major, minor, and trace elements, and other parameters for each principal coal.

A generalized reference list is given at the end of this section and contains those State and Federal publications that are most useful on the coal geology of Allegheny County.



Based on aerial photography taken:

- (1) 1952 and 1977.
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Figure 1. Index map of 7½-minute quadrangles in Allegheny County. Date of publication of topographic quadrangle map is shown in italic type. Dates of photorevision (PR) and photoinspection (PI) are shown in parentheses.

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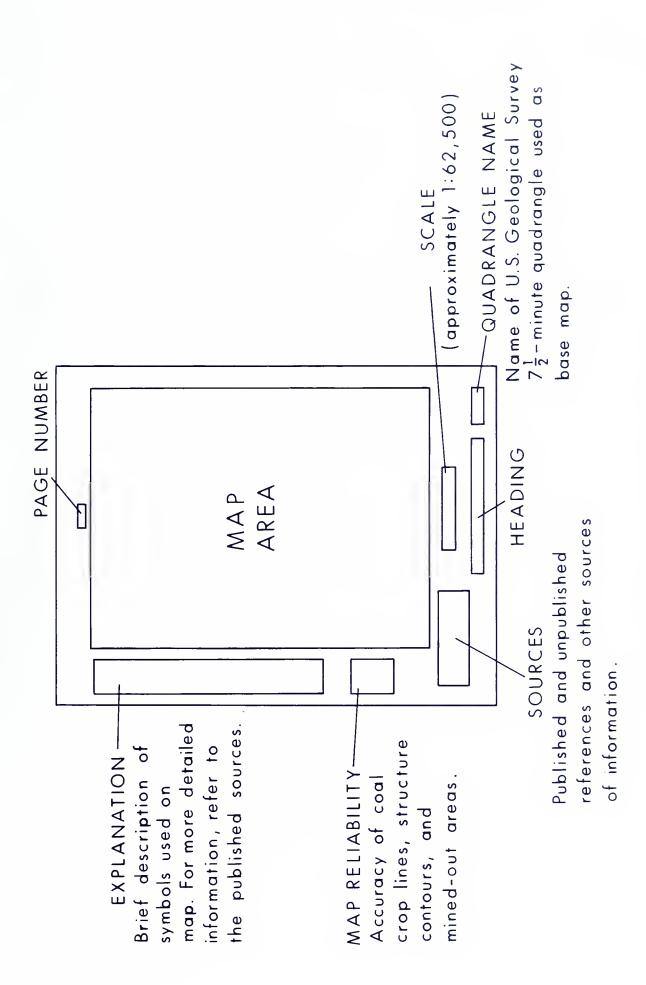
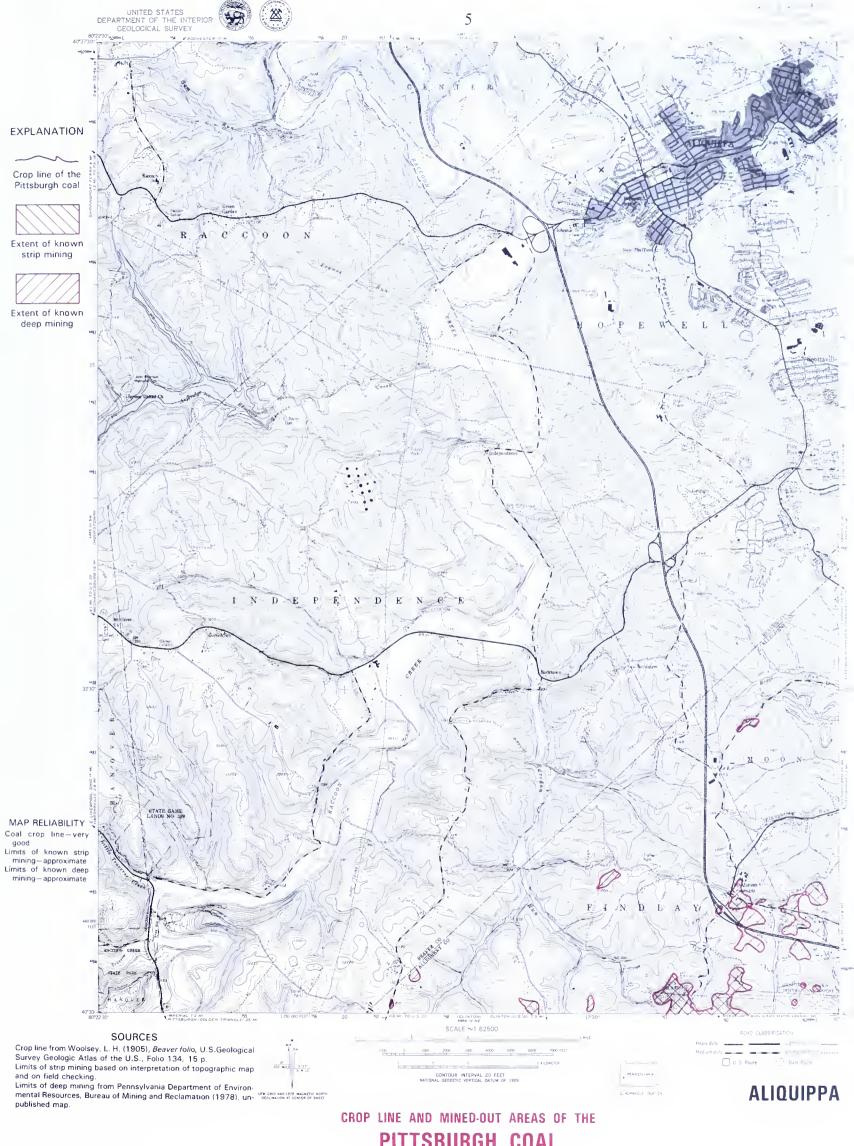


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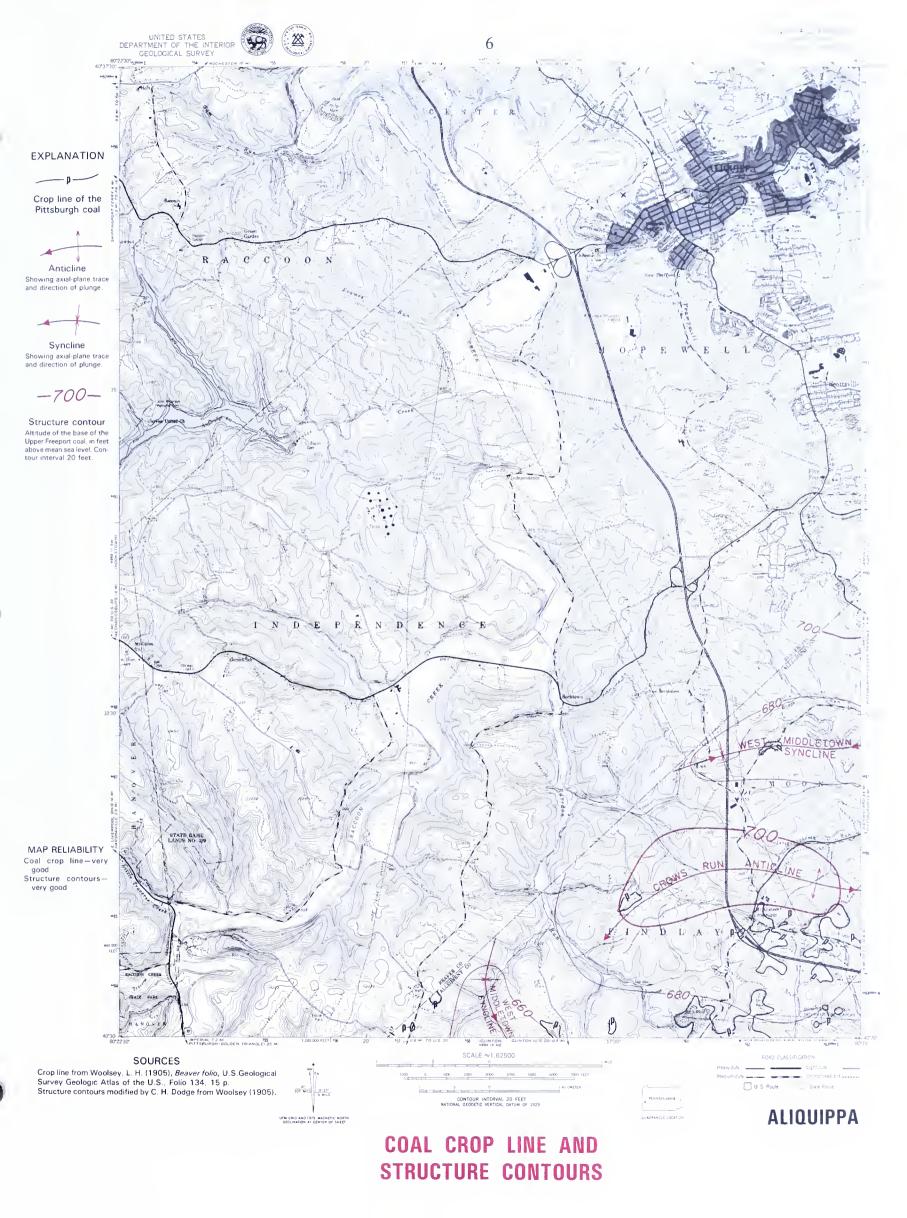
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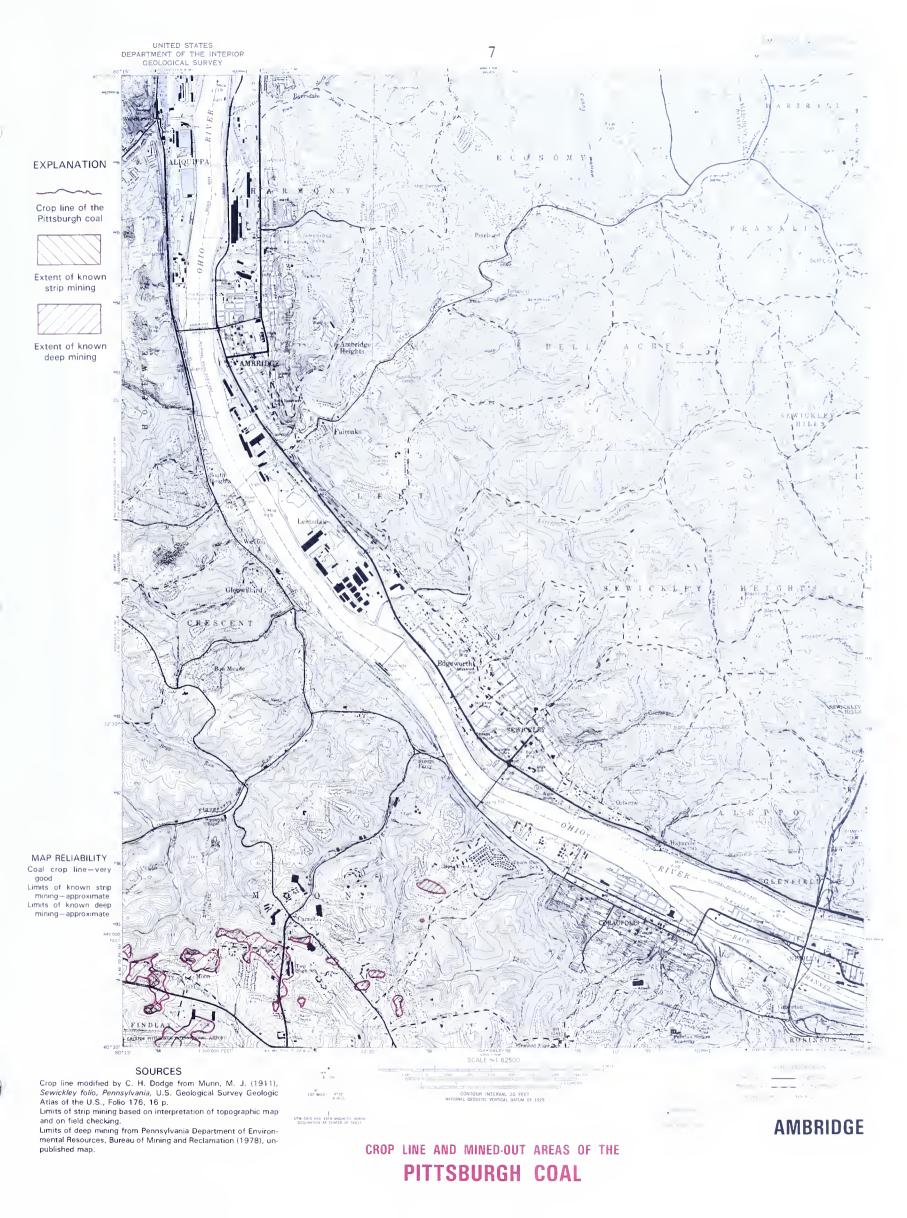


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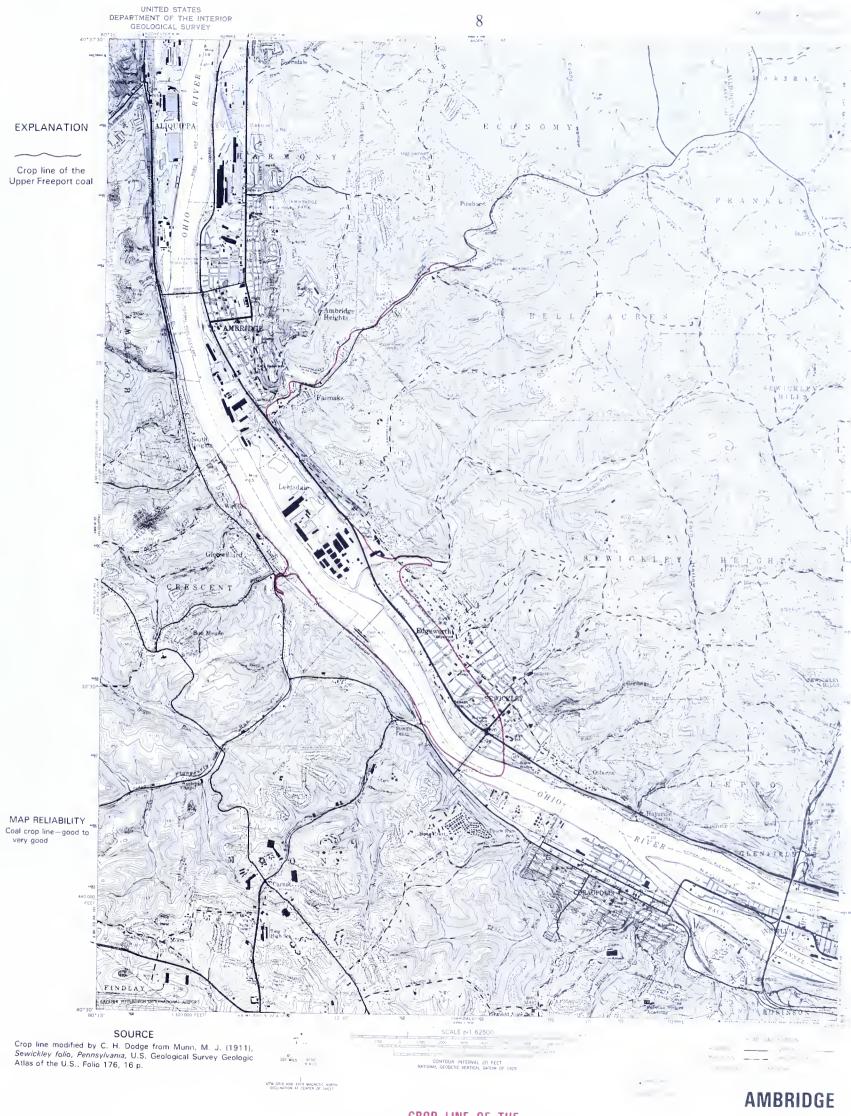






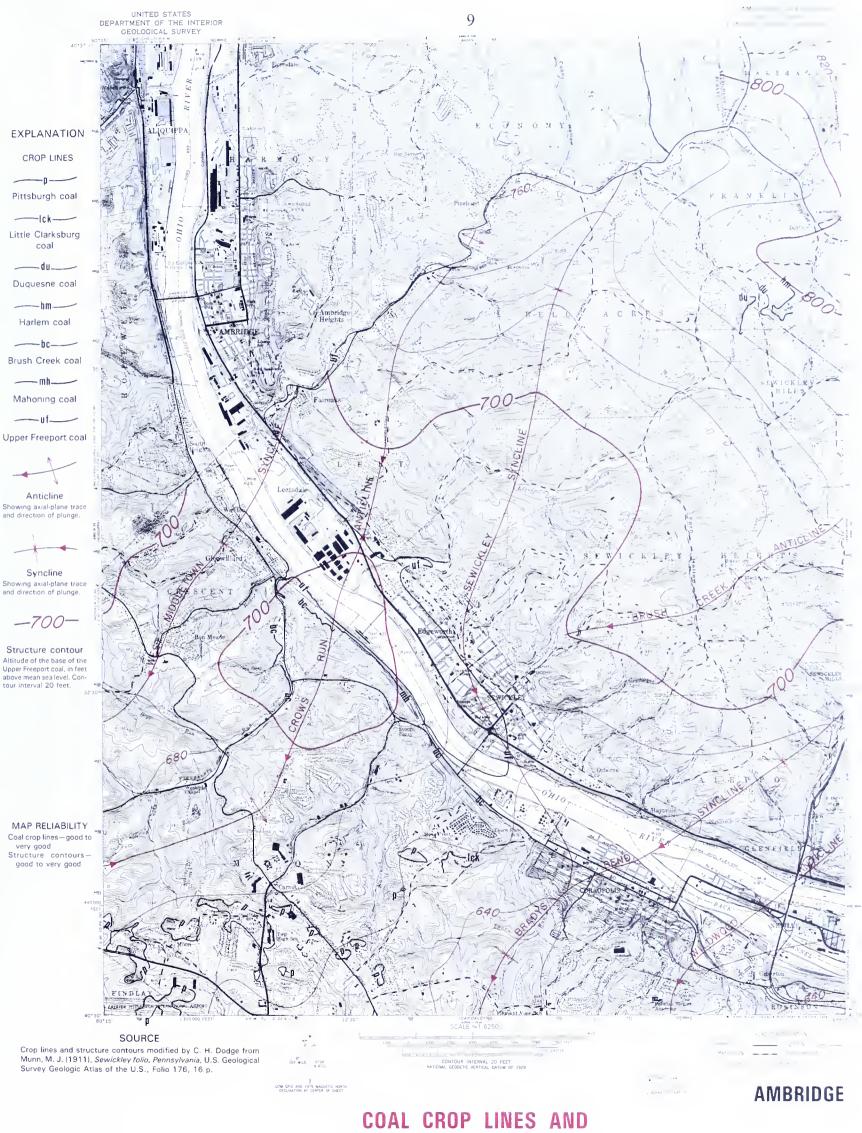






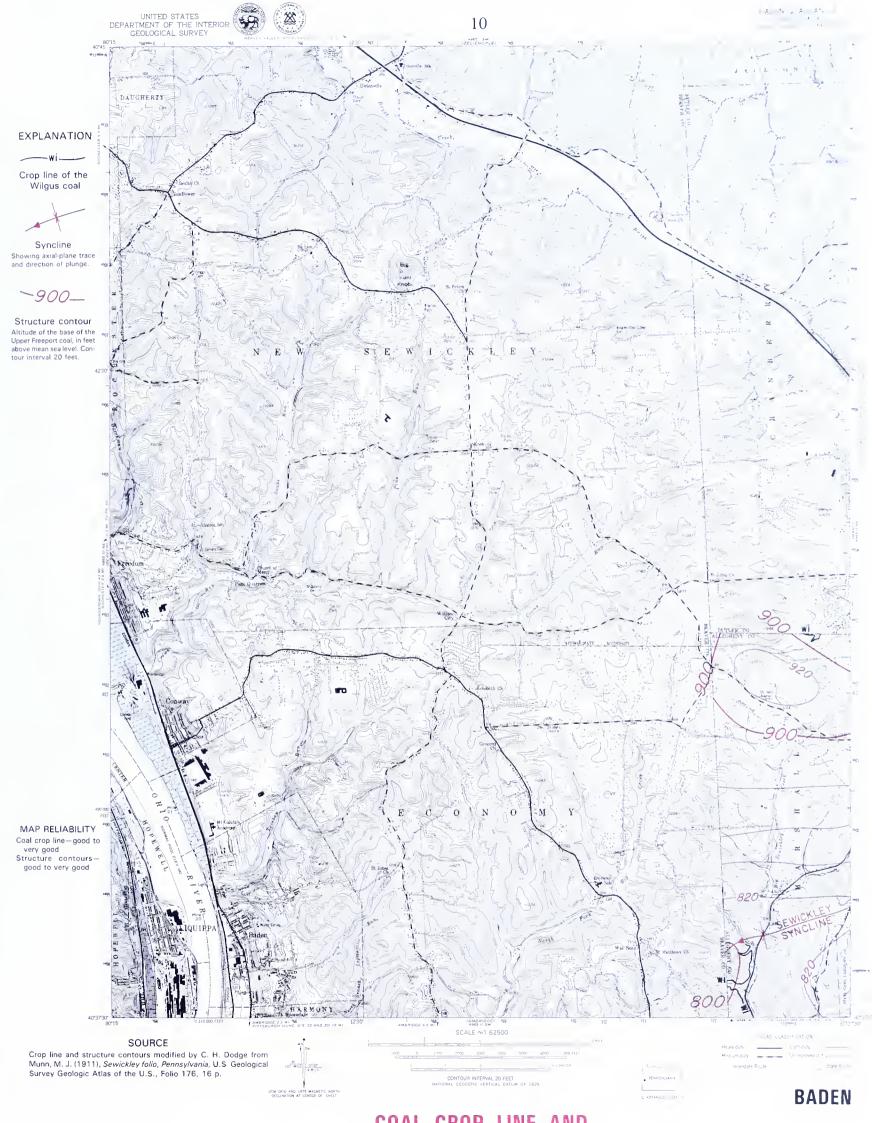
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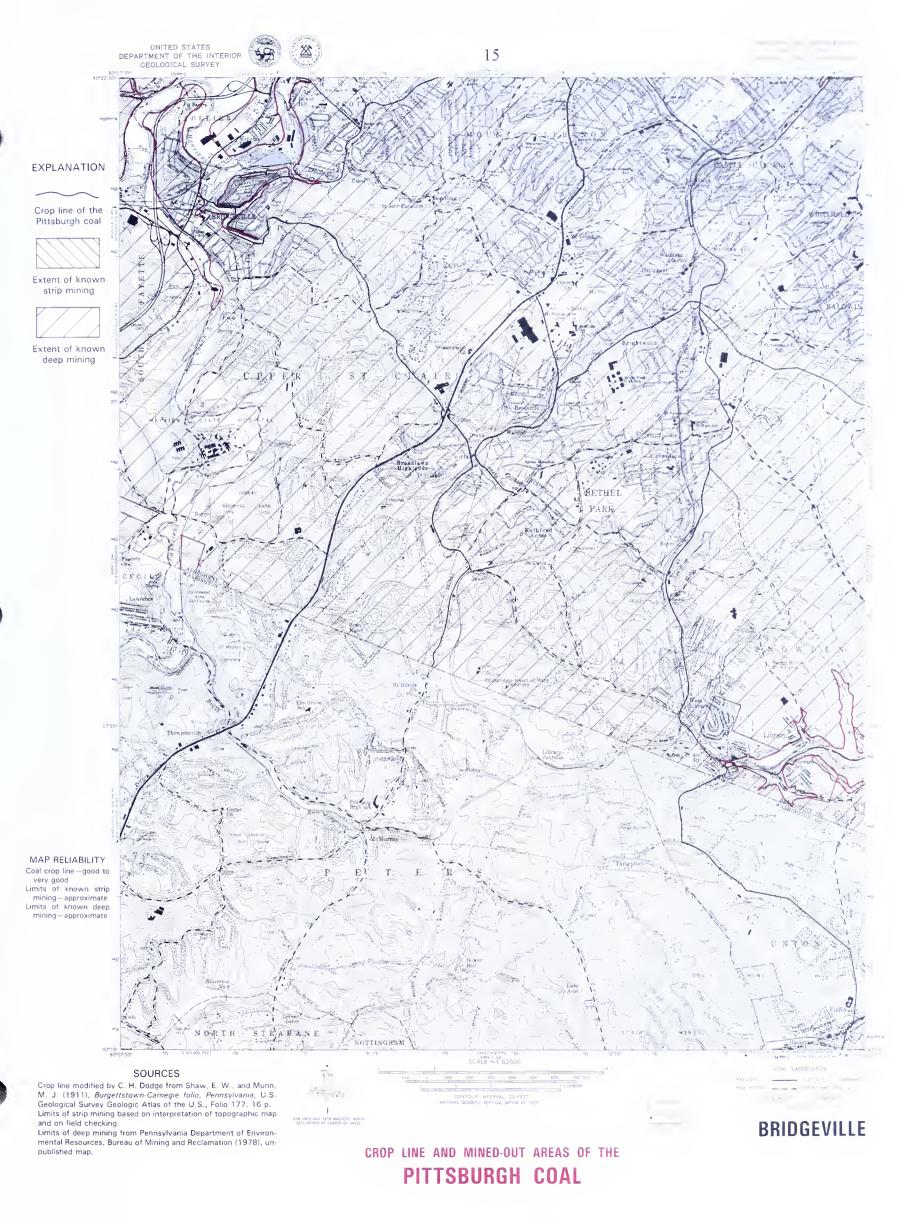


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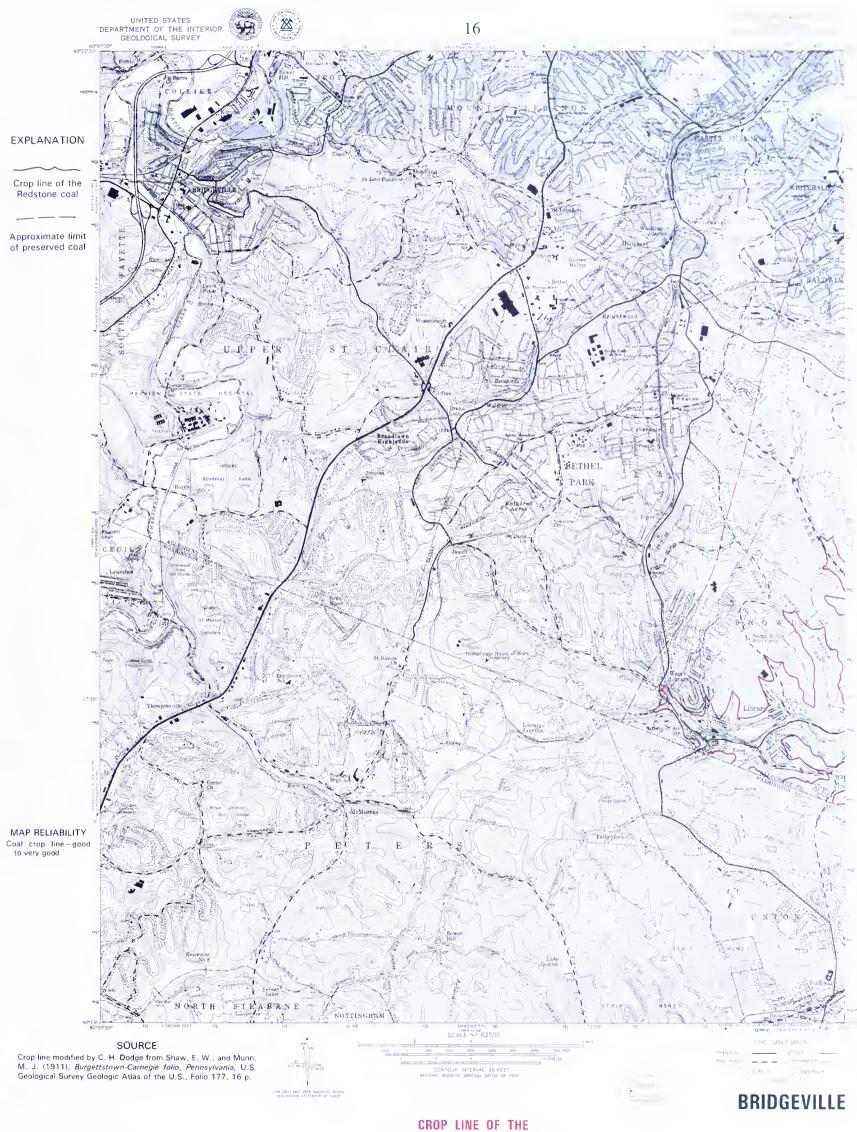


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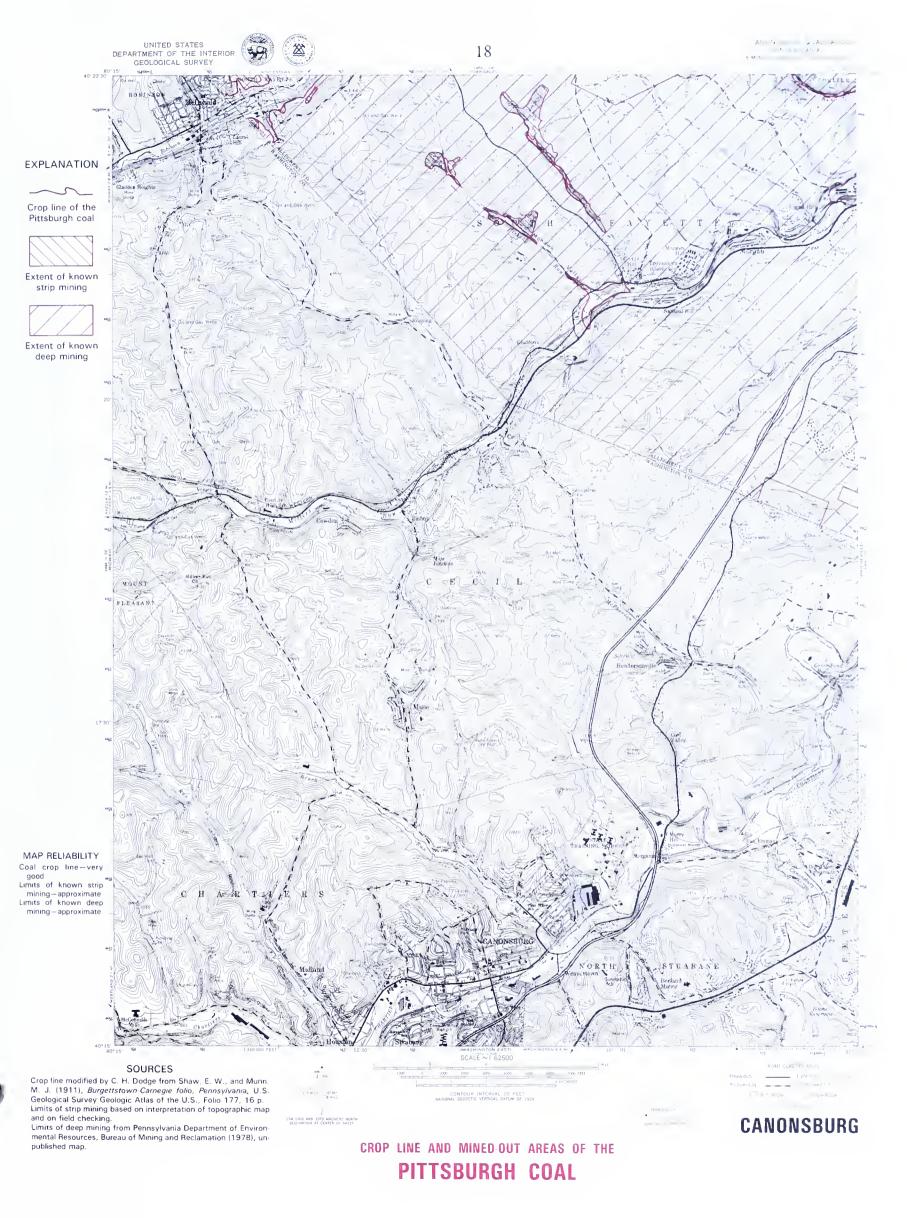
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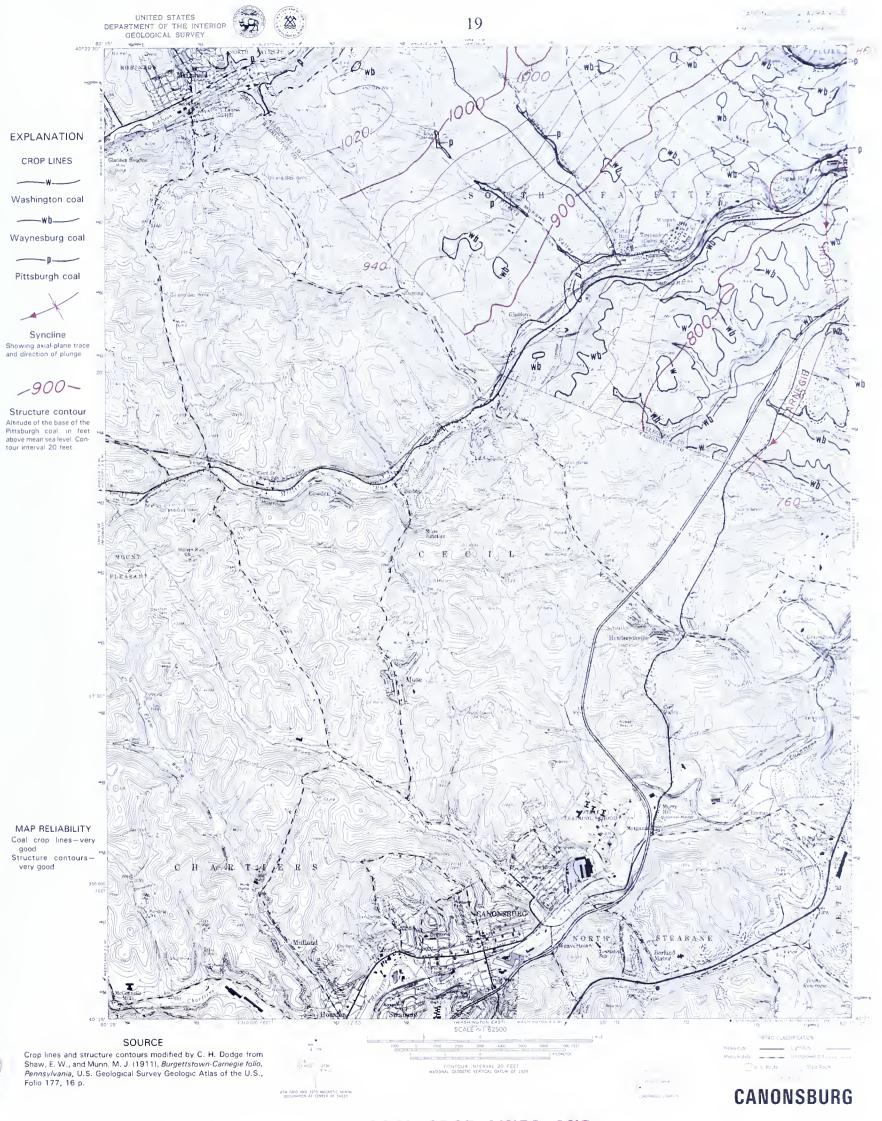


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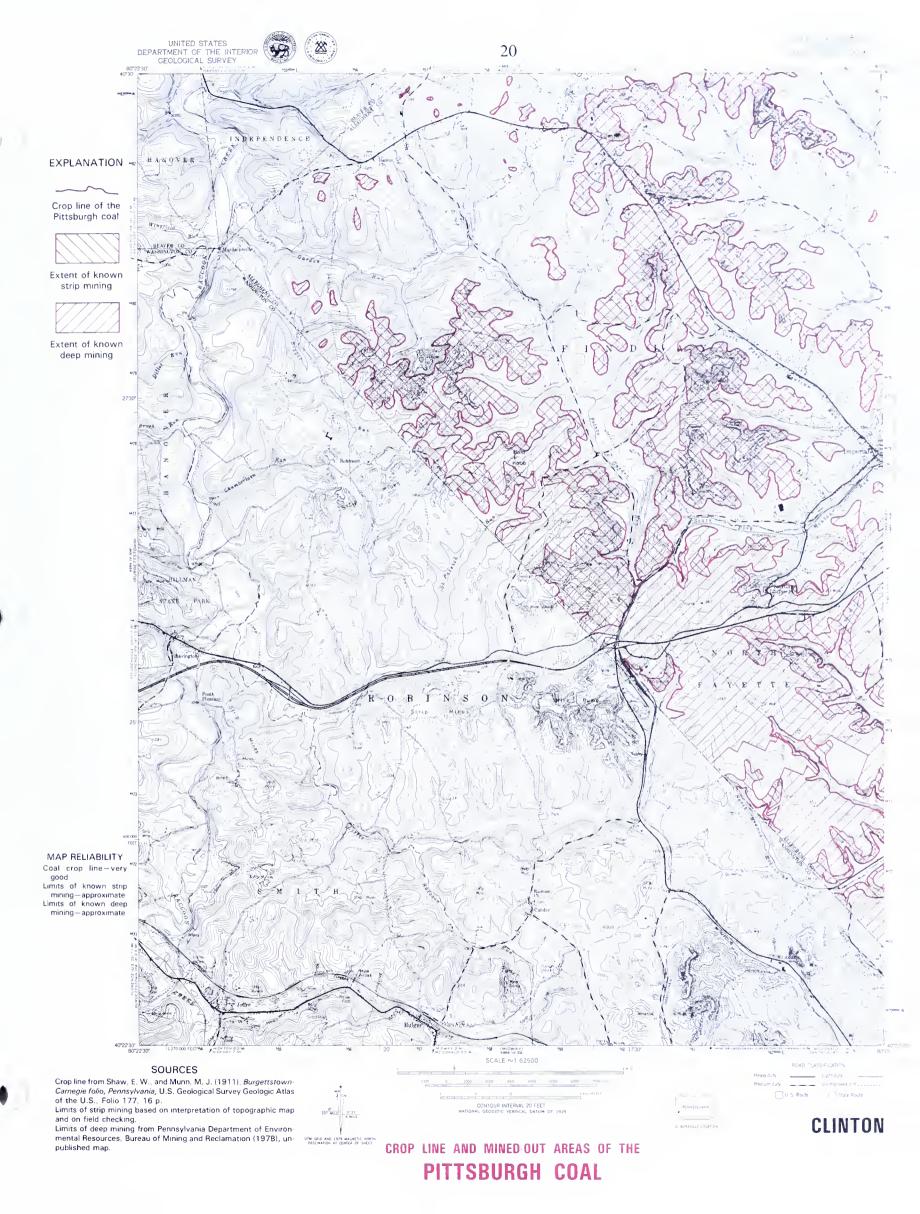




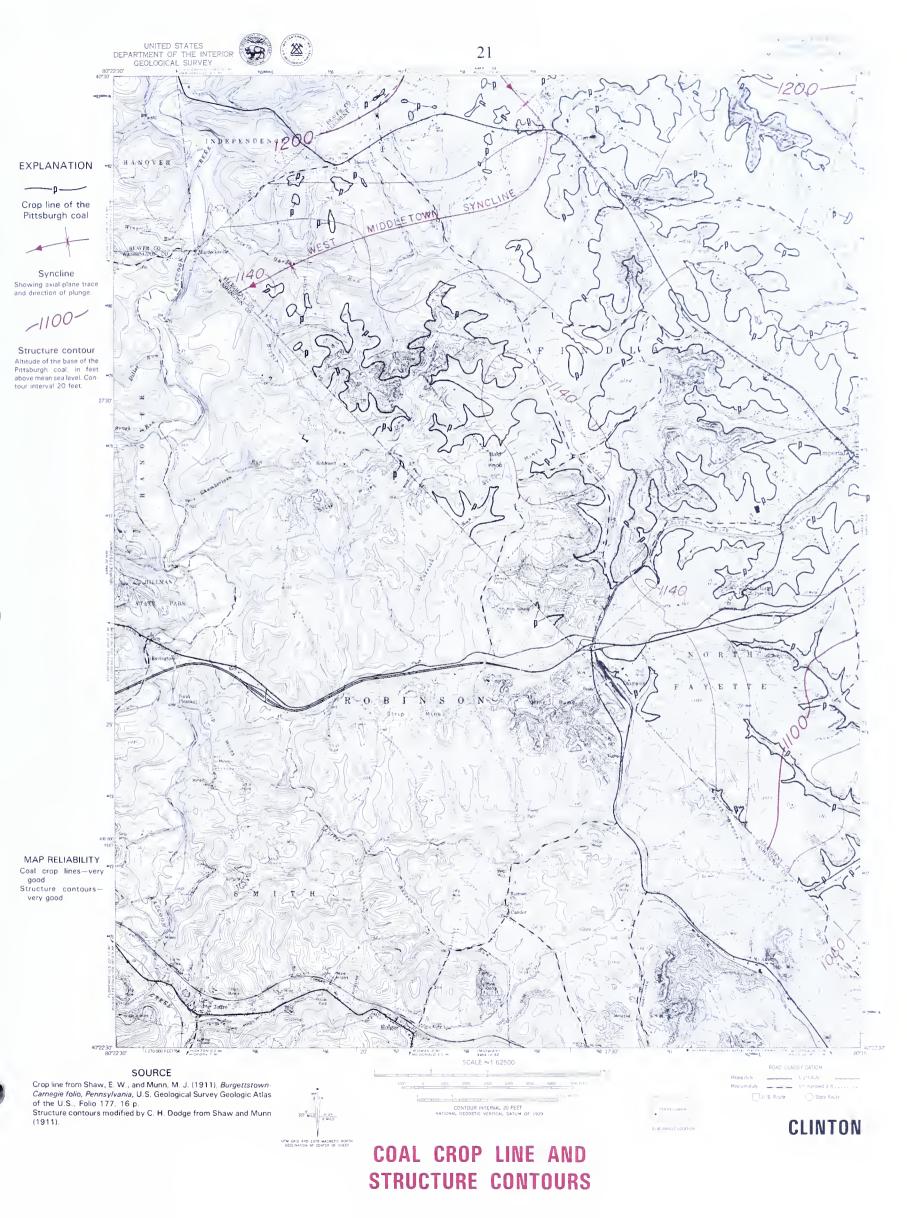


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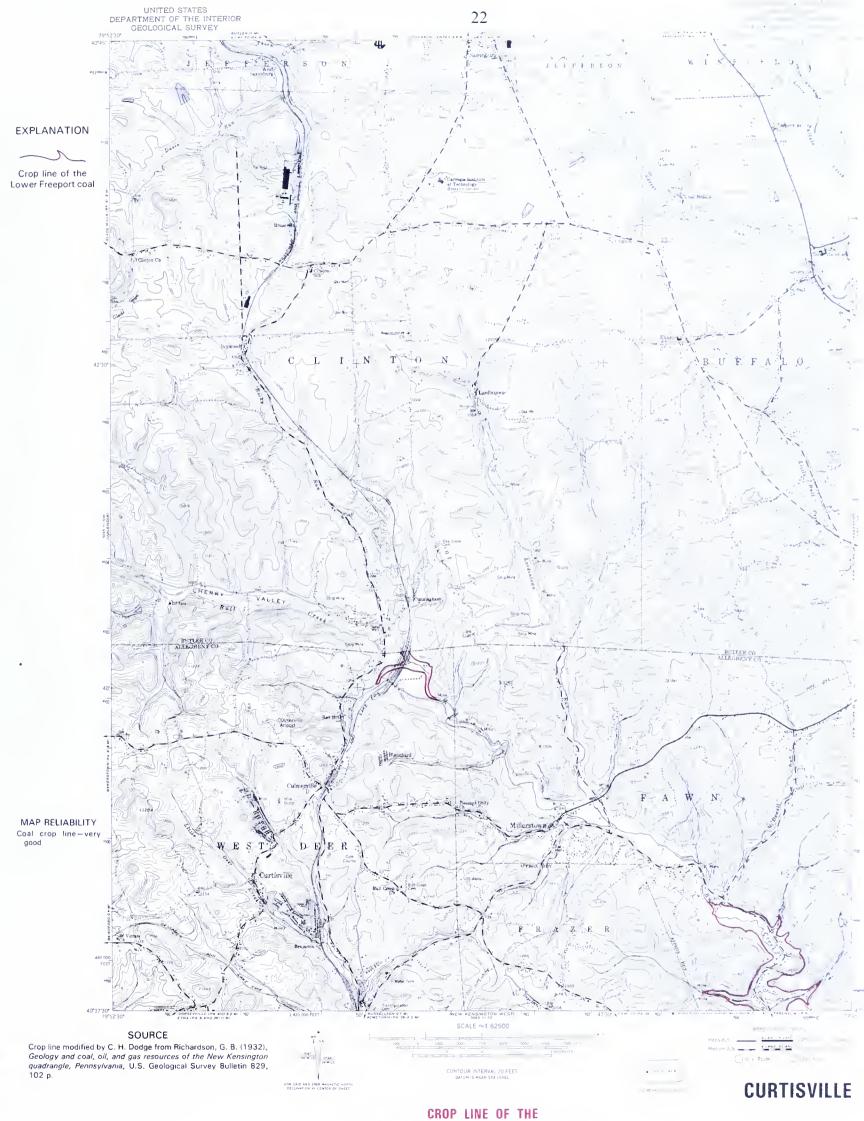






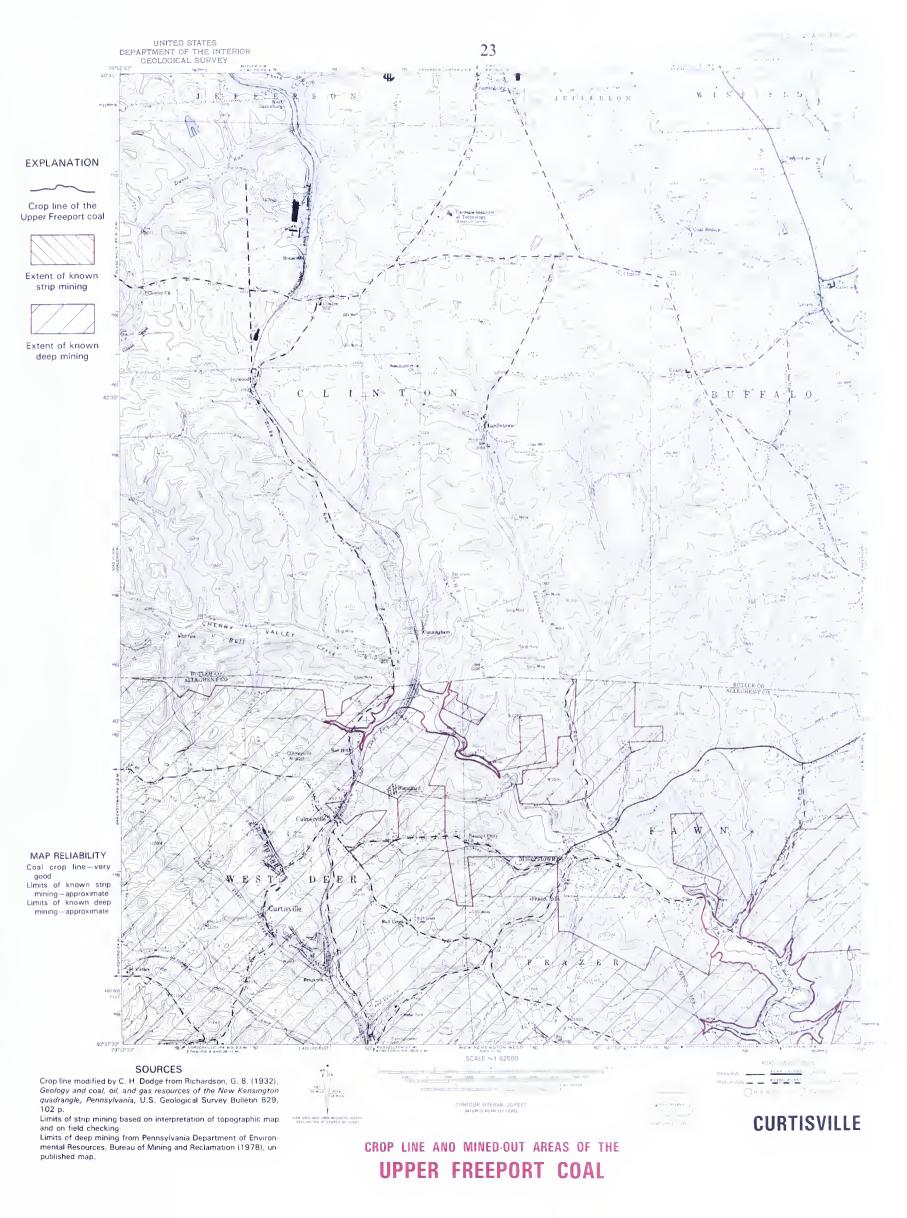




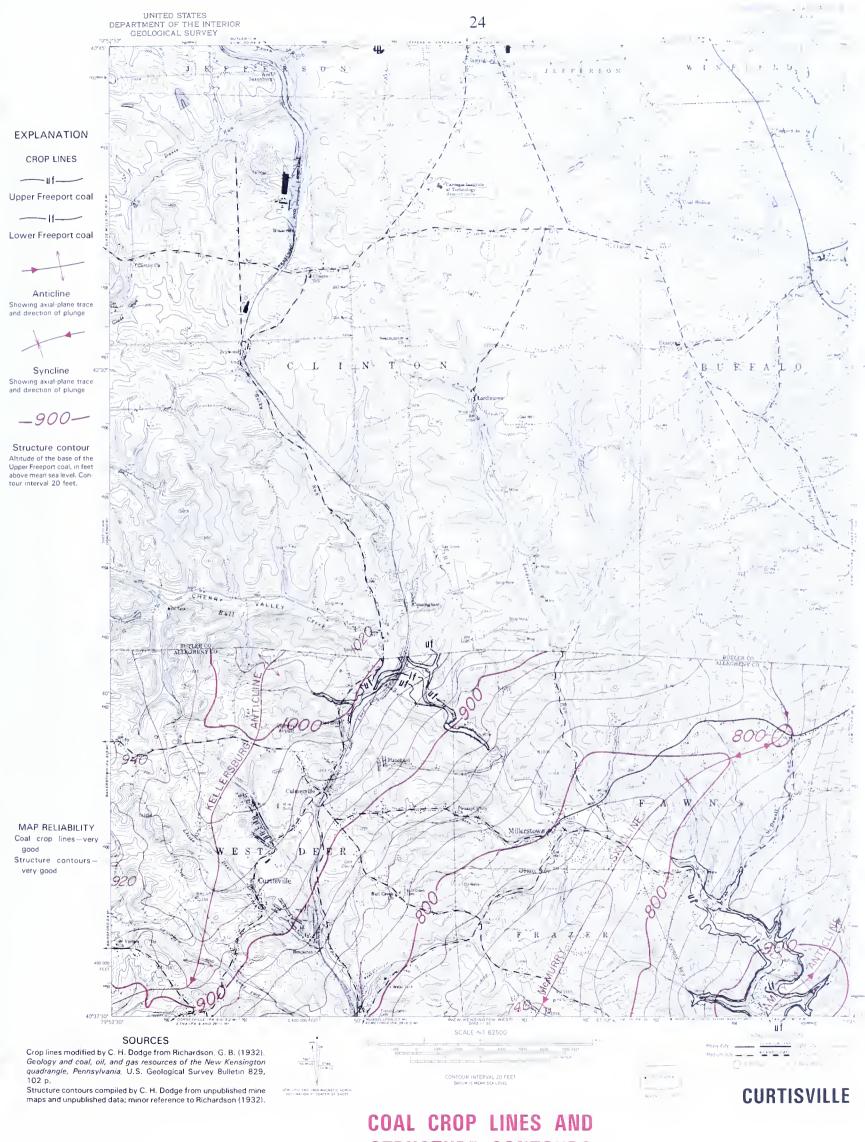


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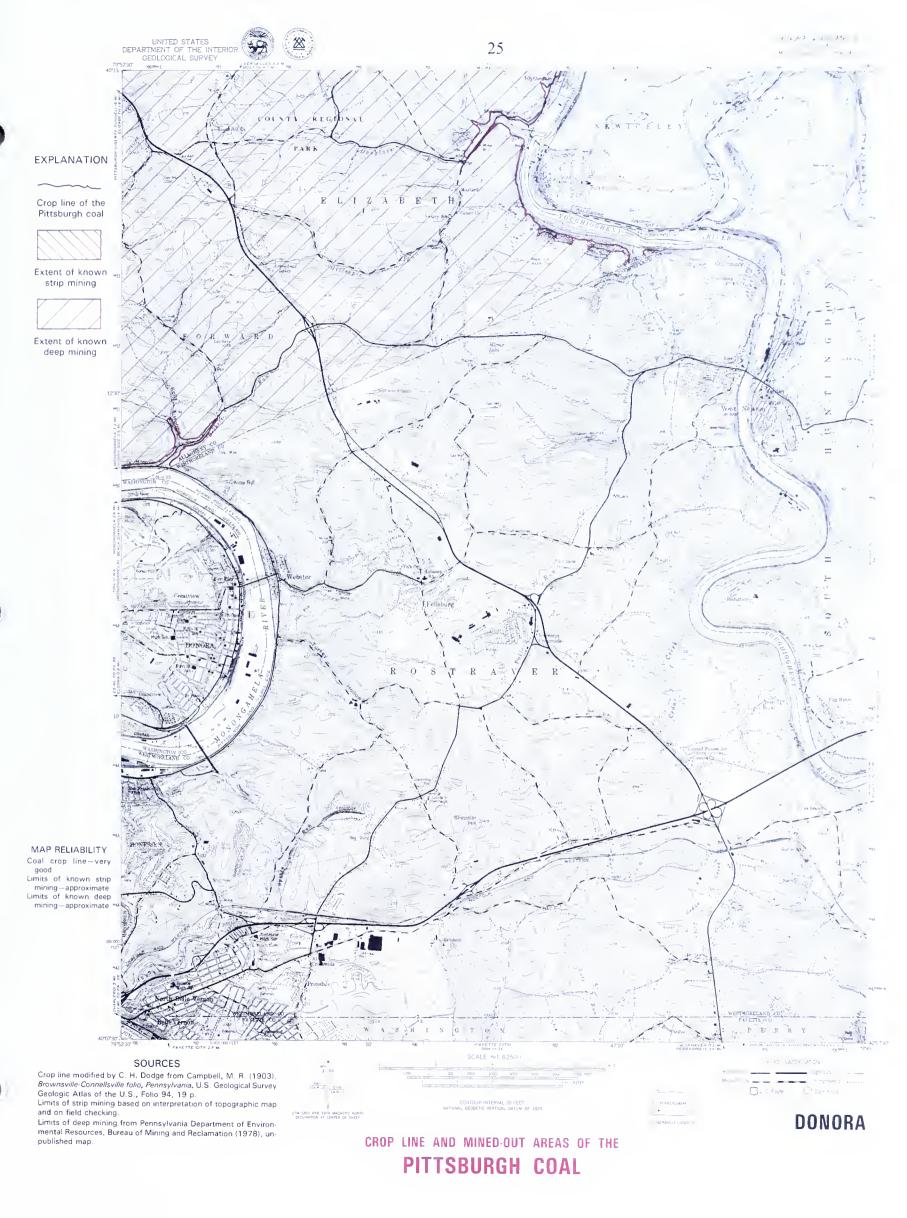






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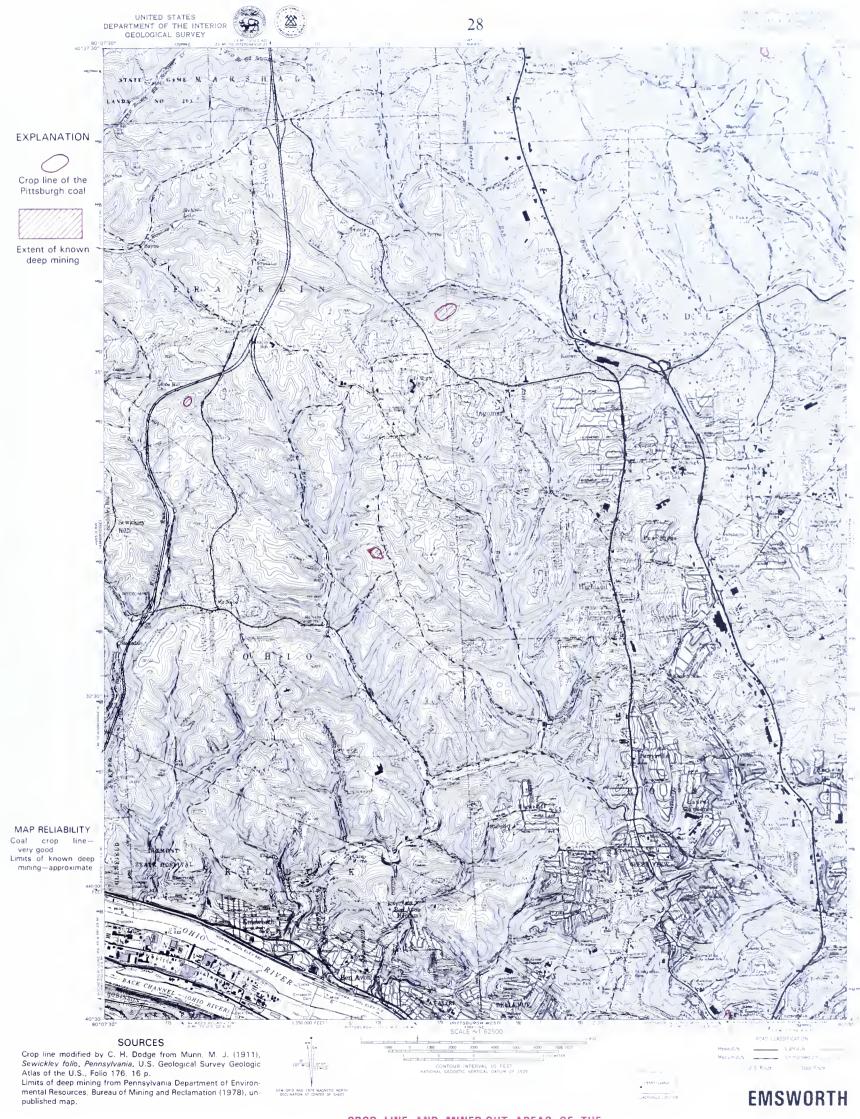
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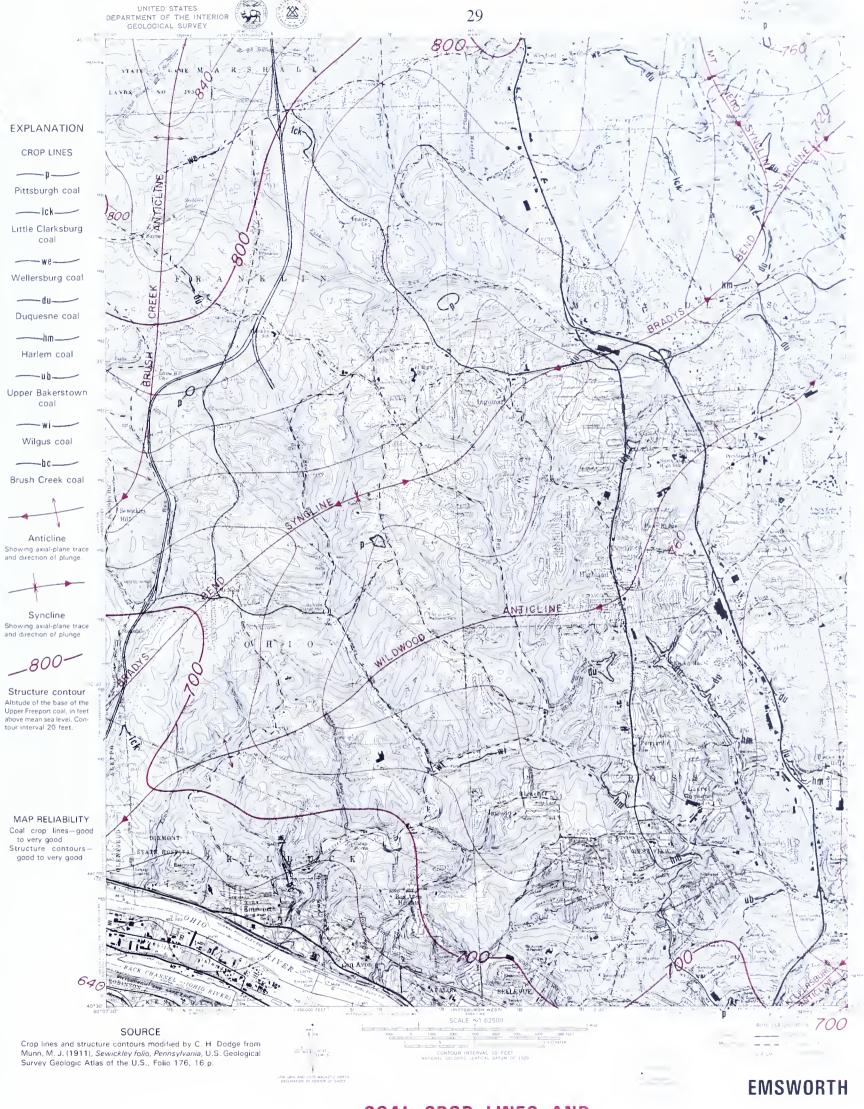
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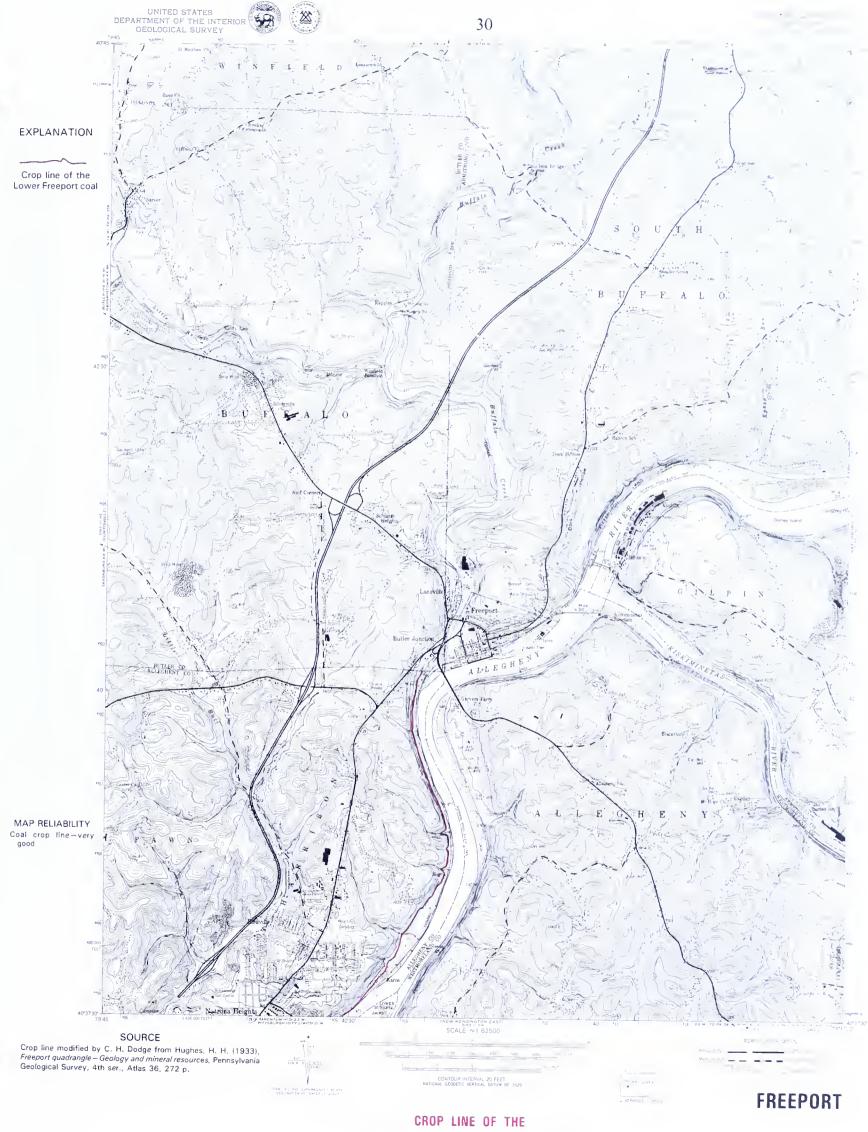
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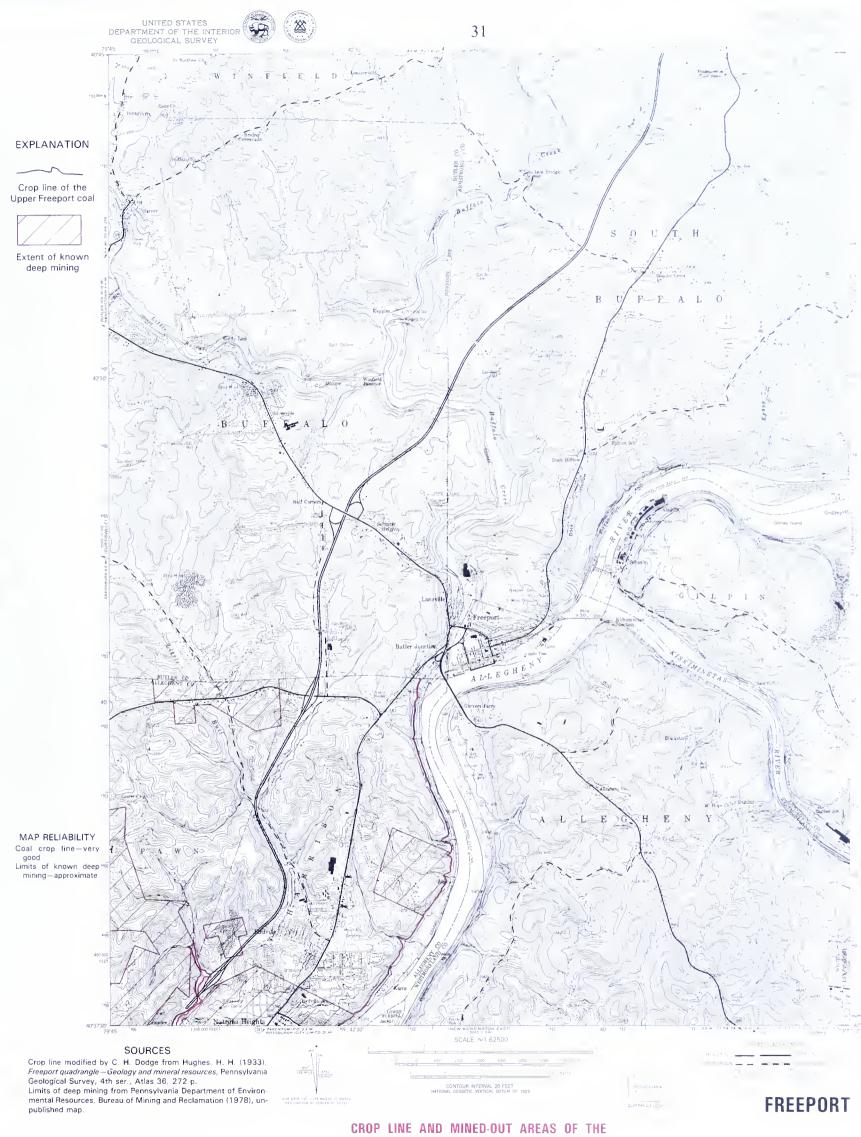
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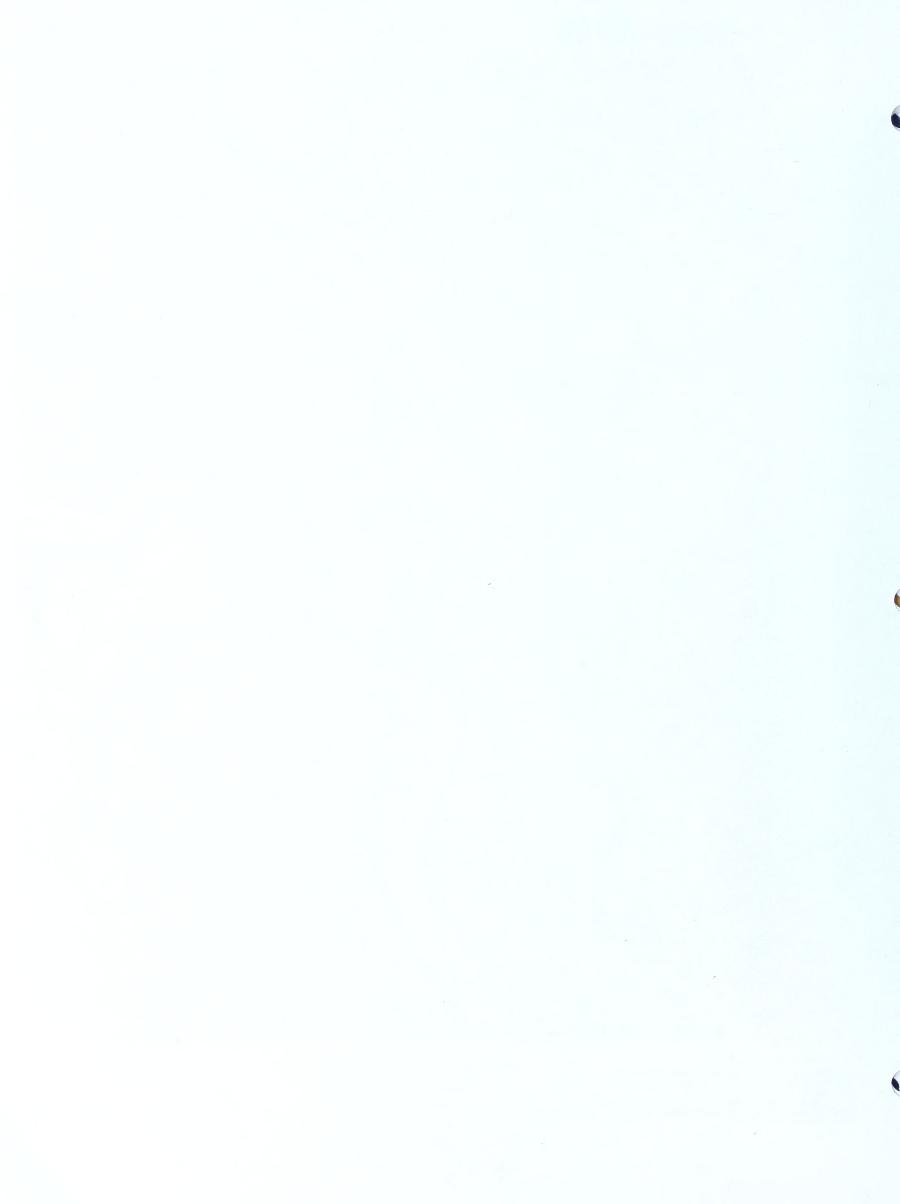


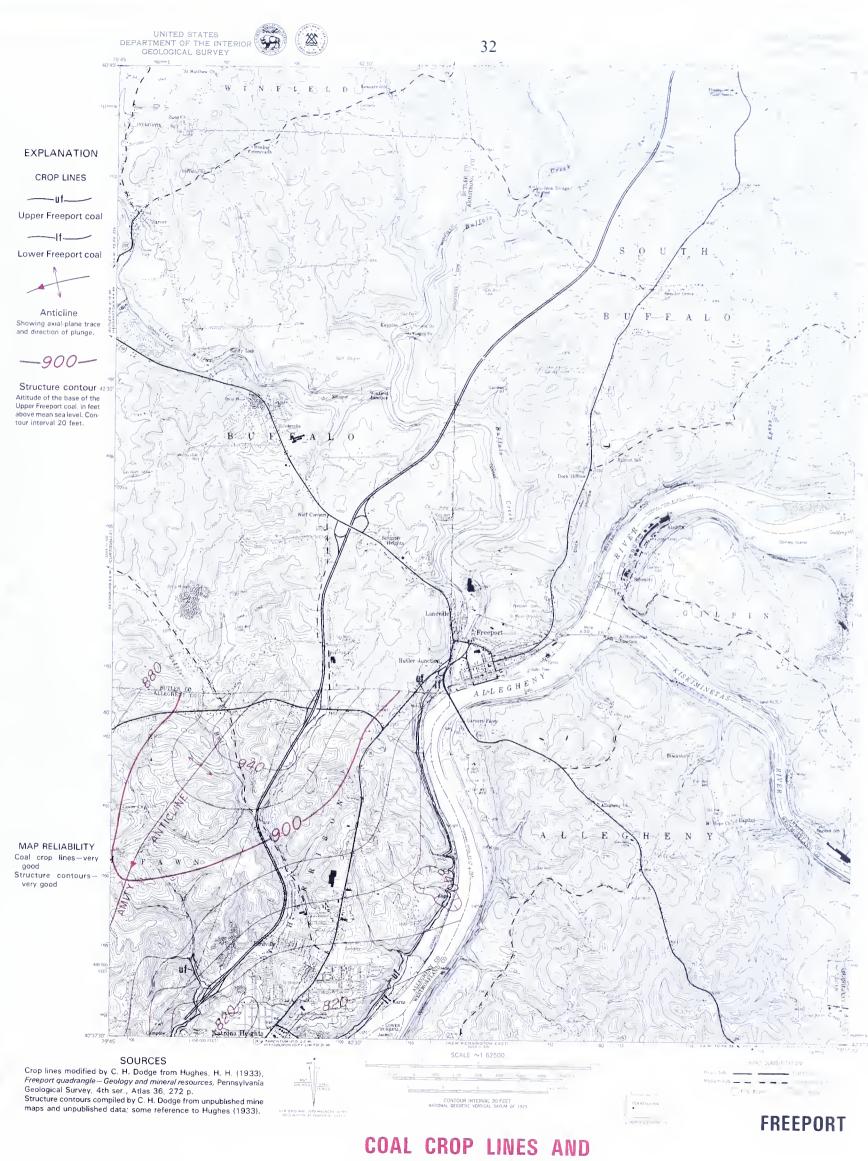
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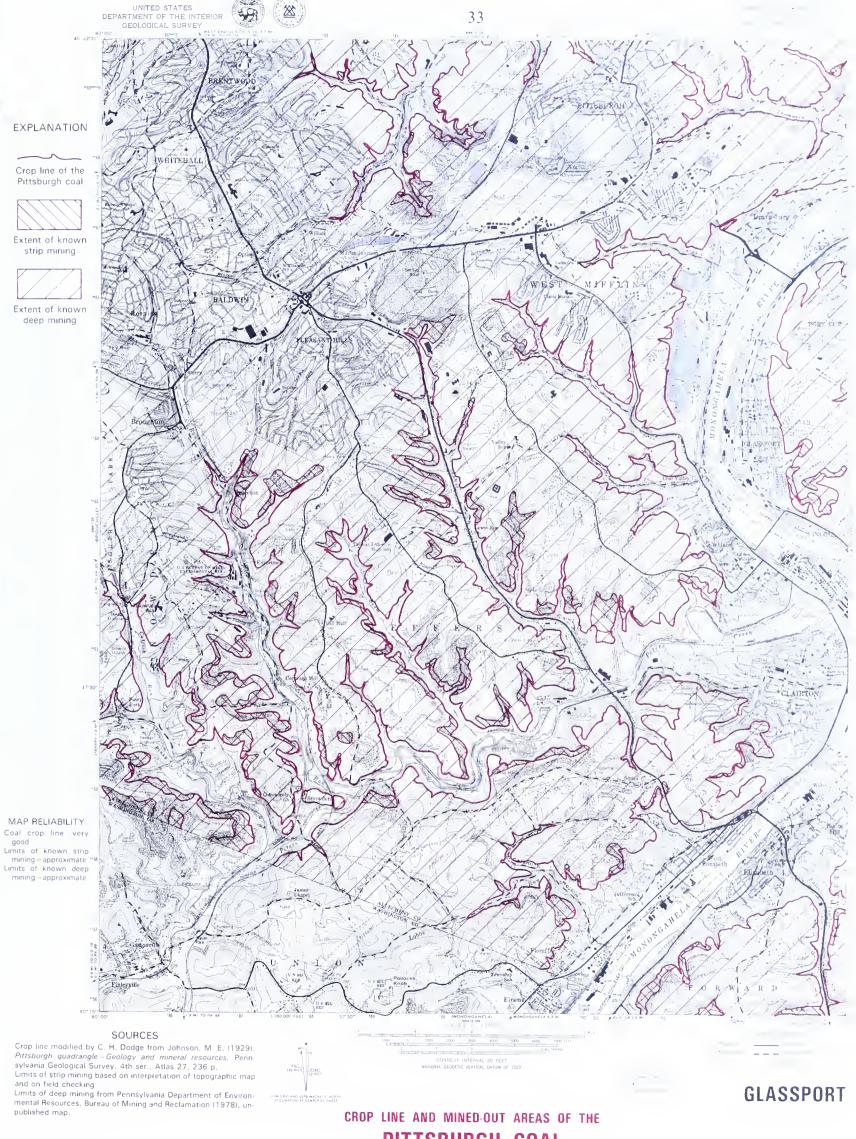
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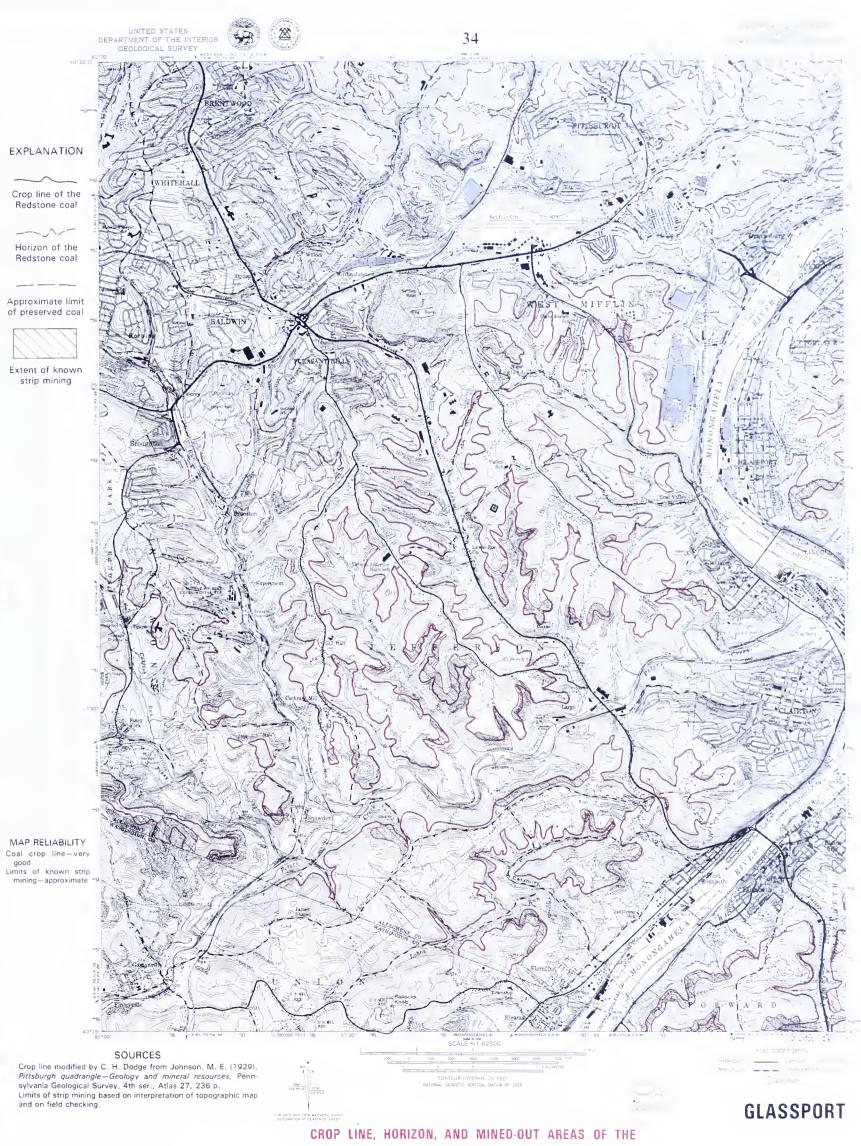
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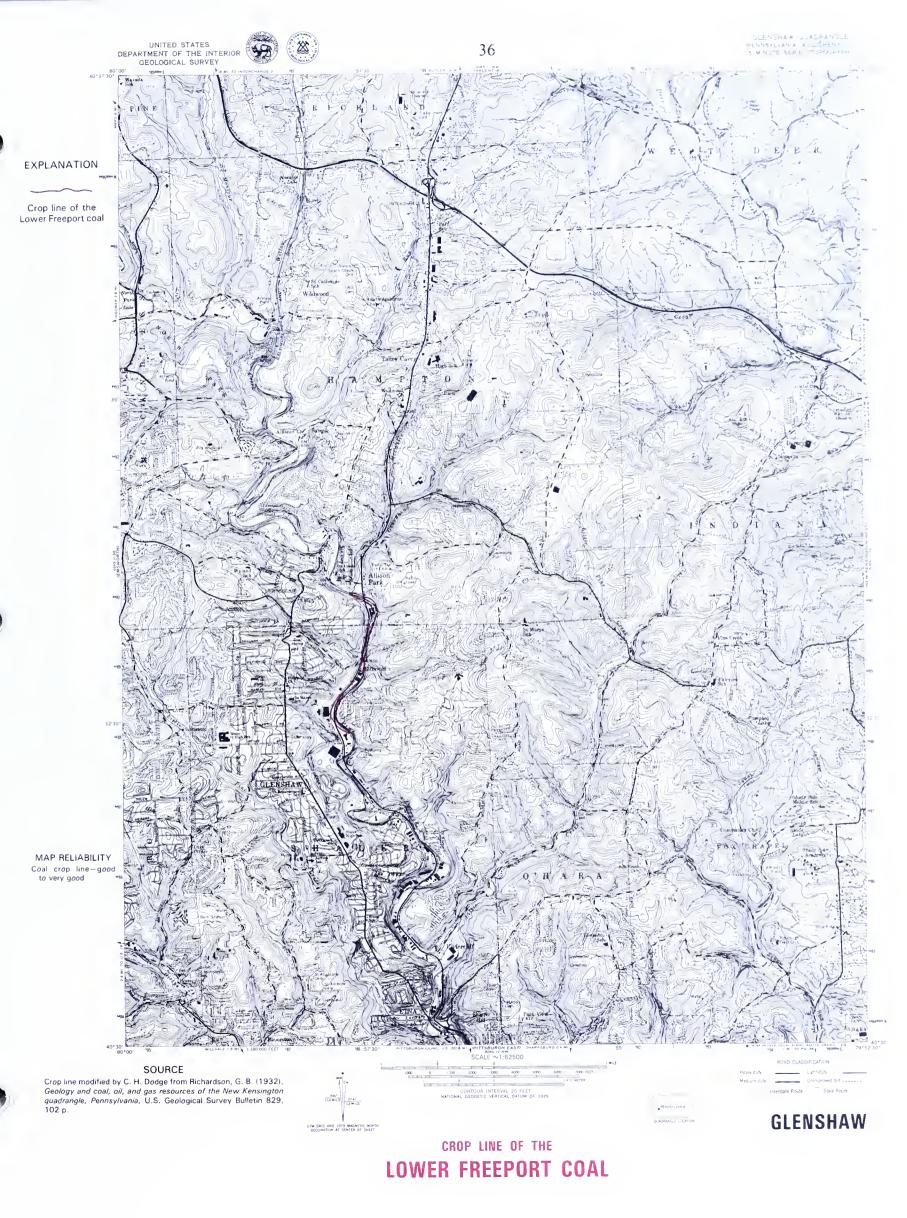




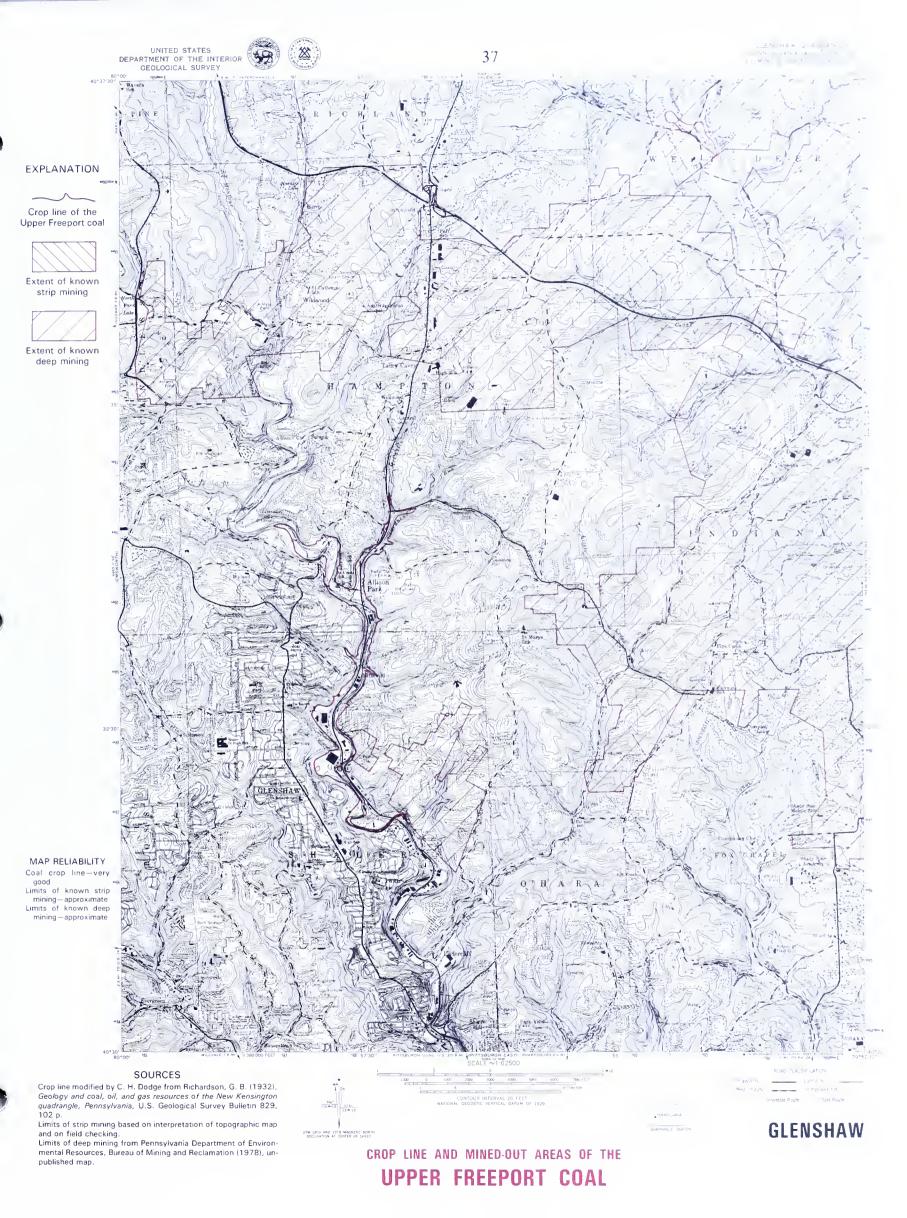
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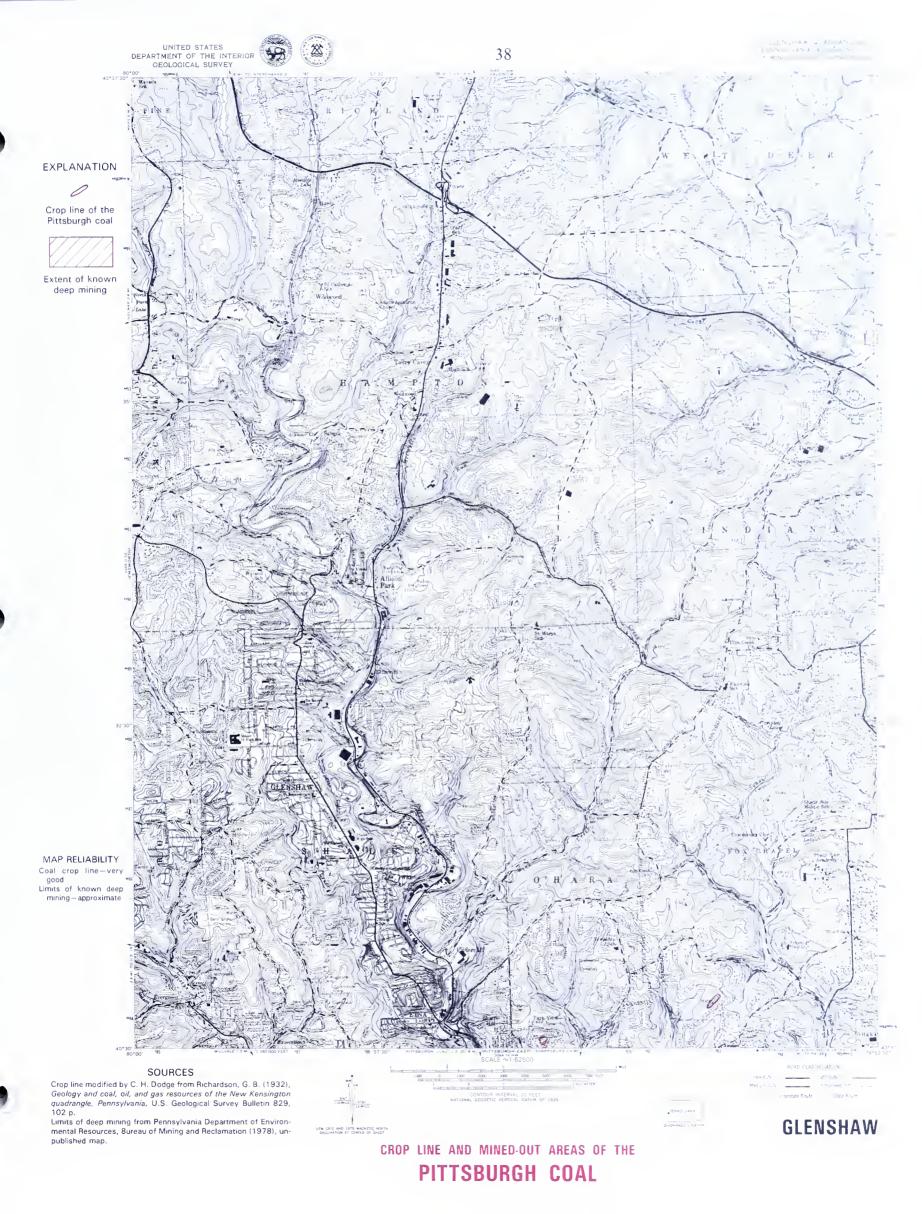




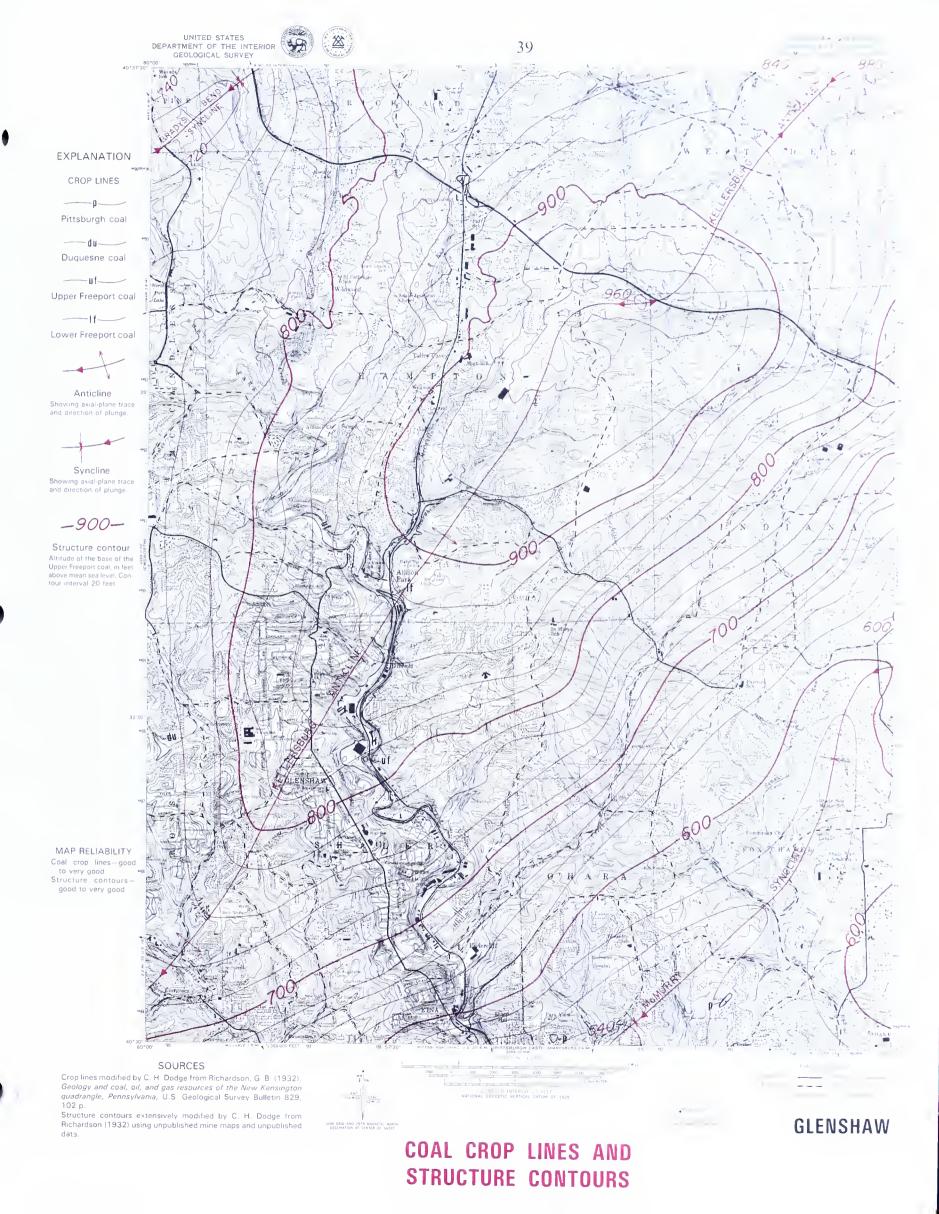




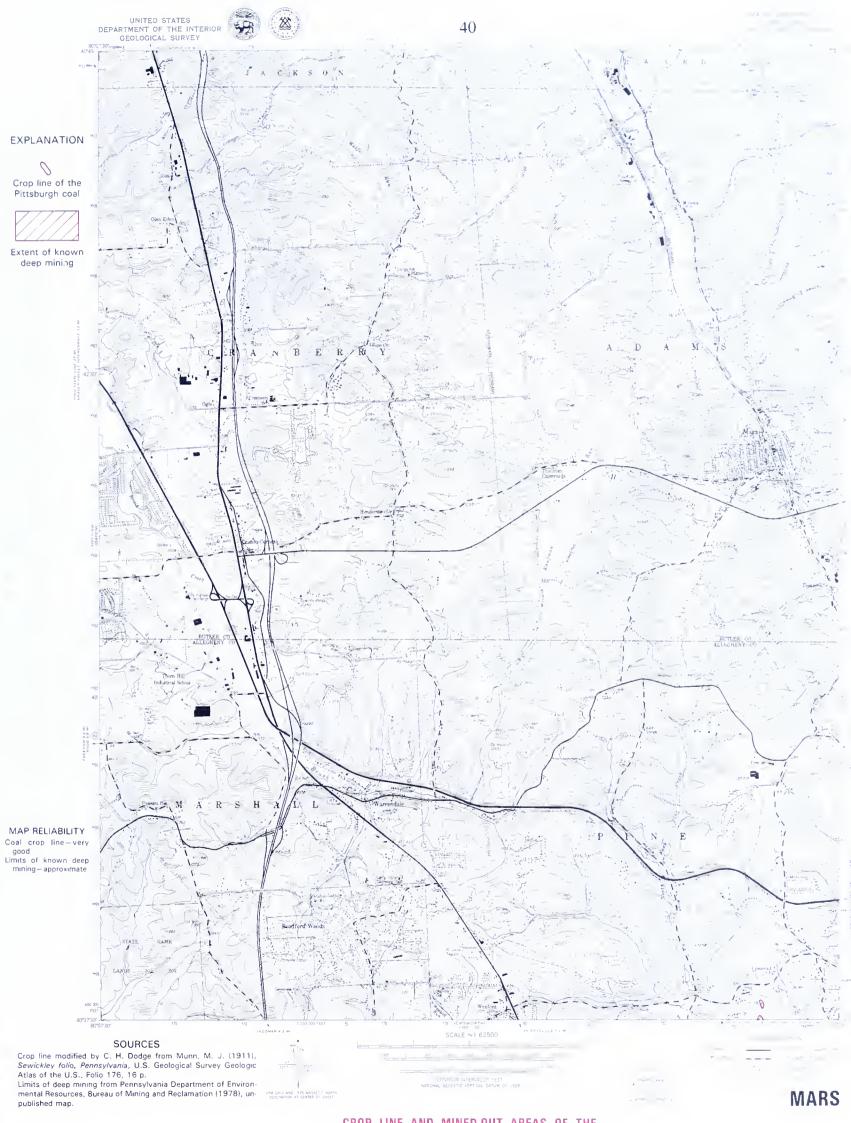






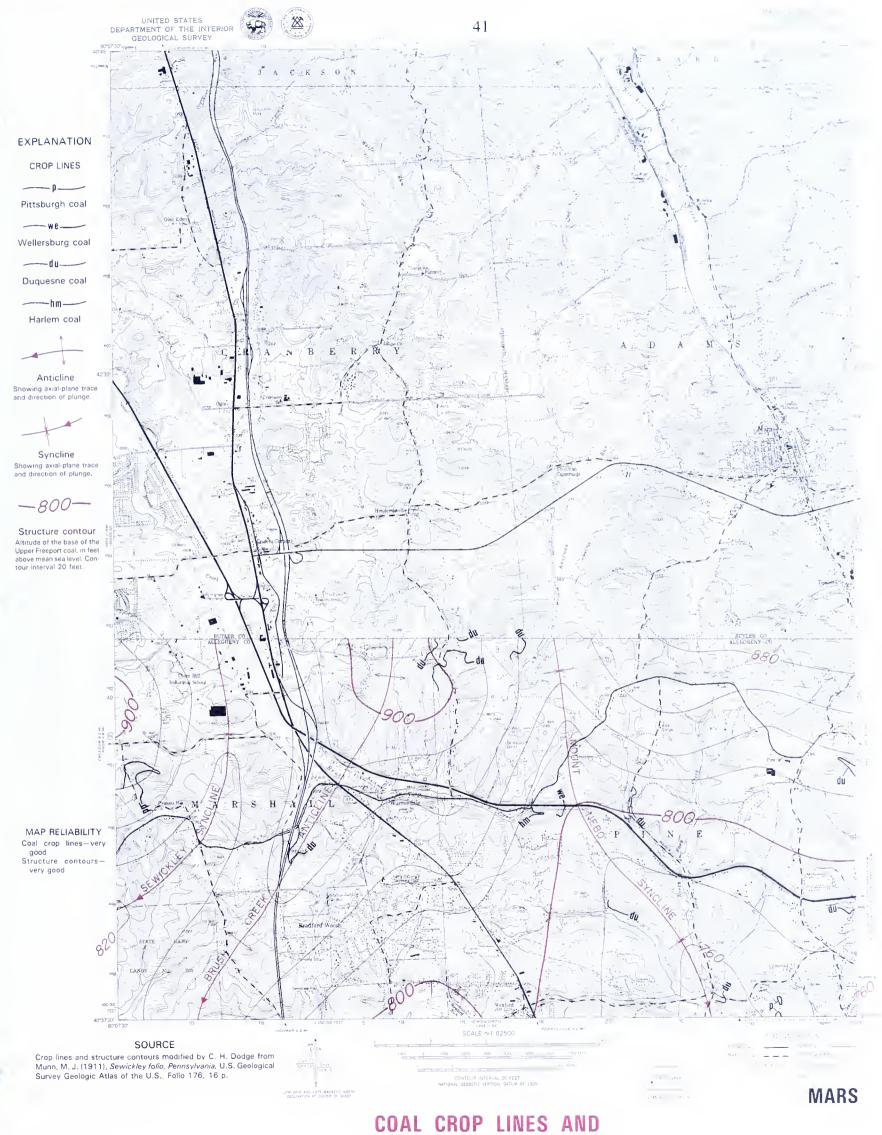






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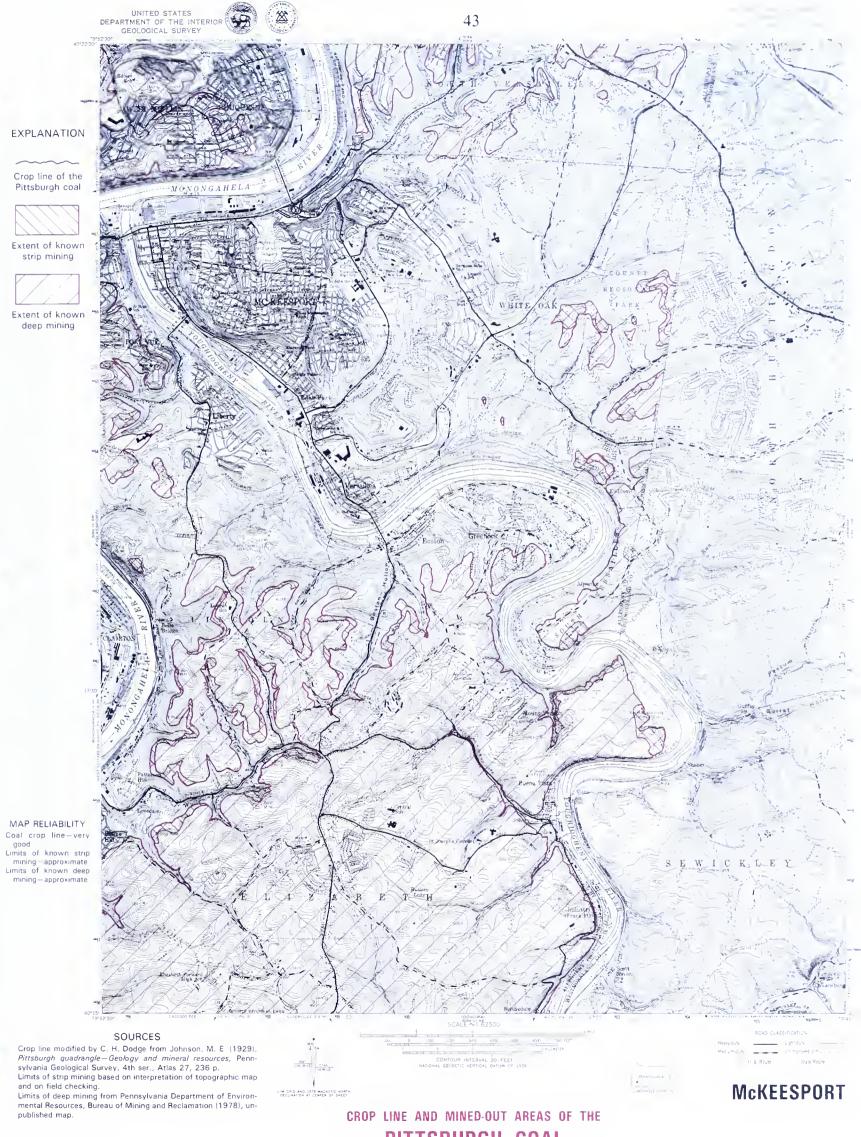
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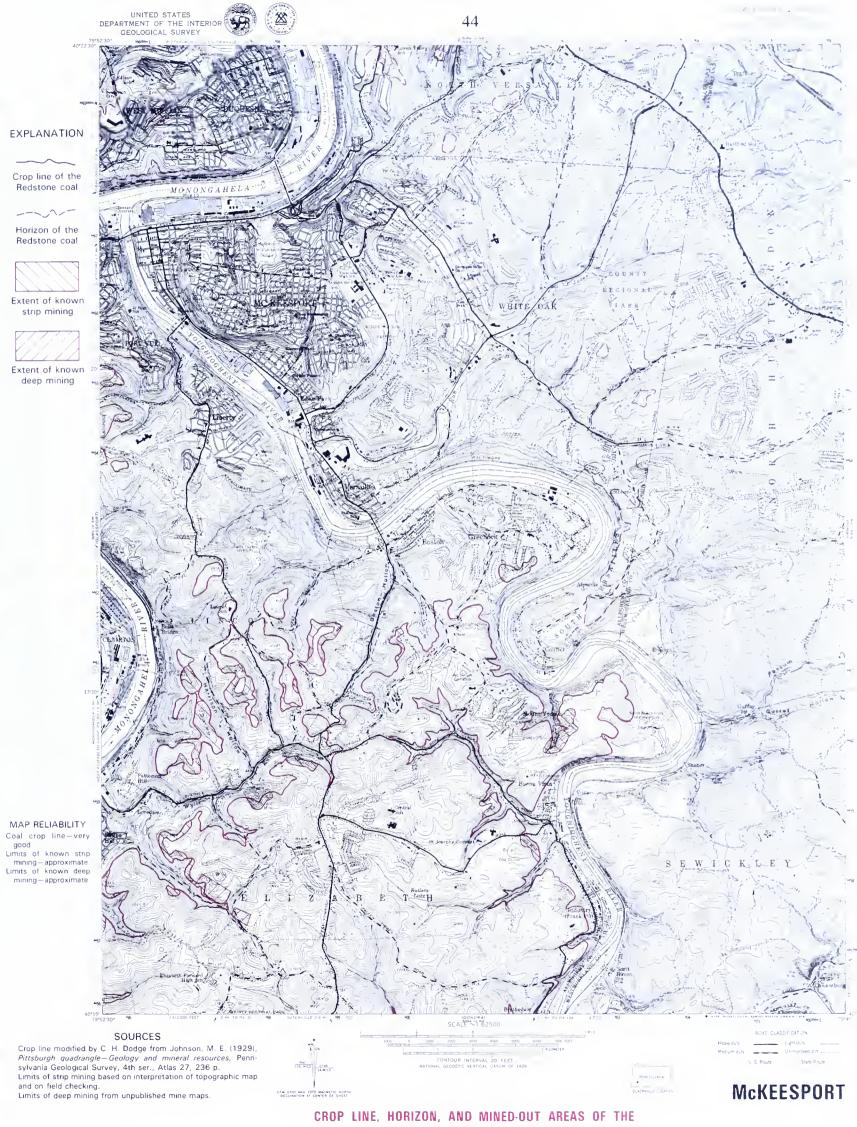
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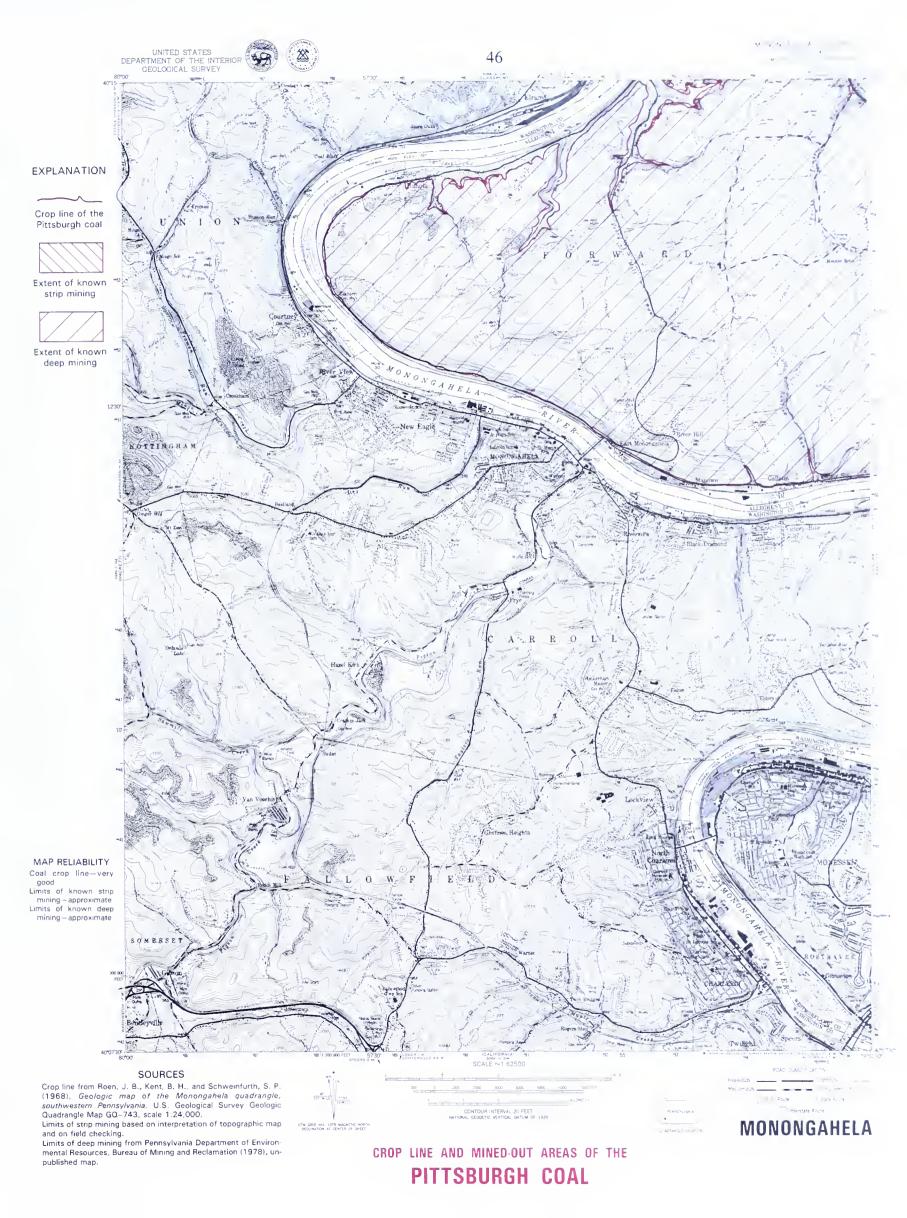


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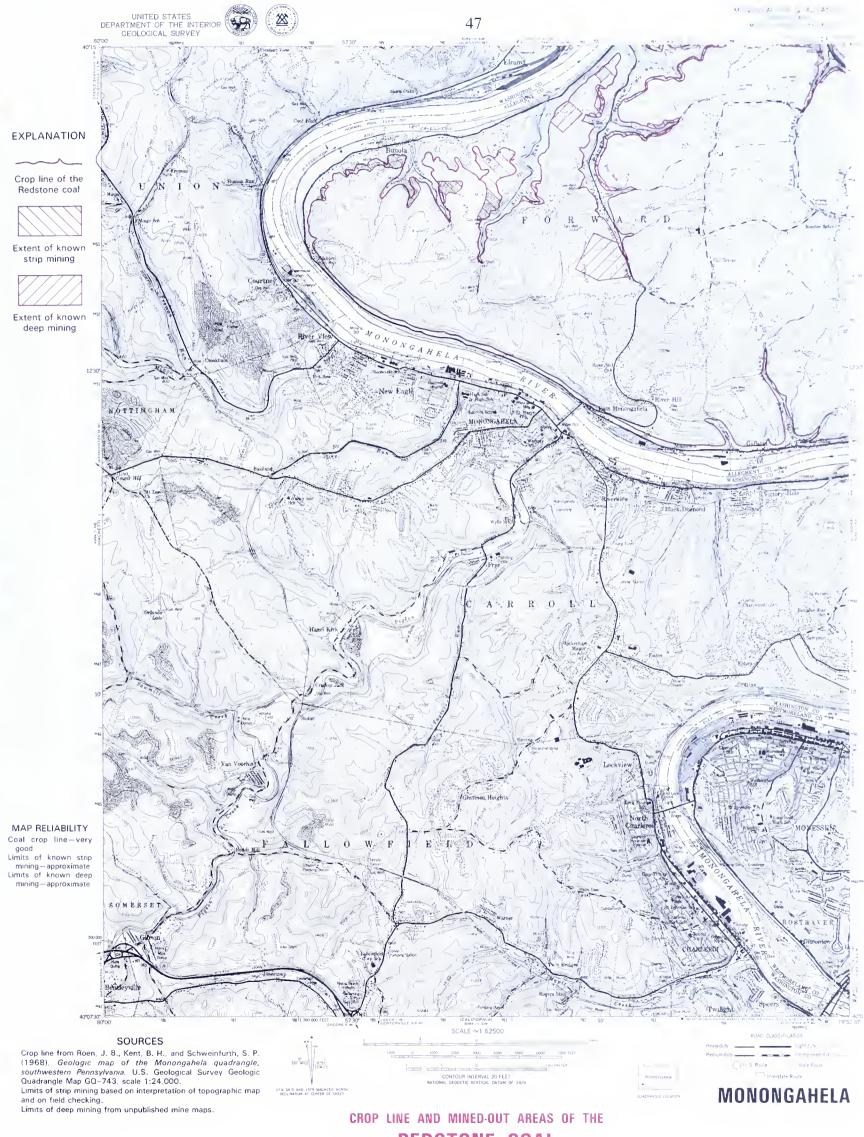


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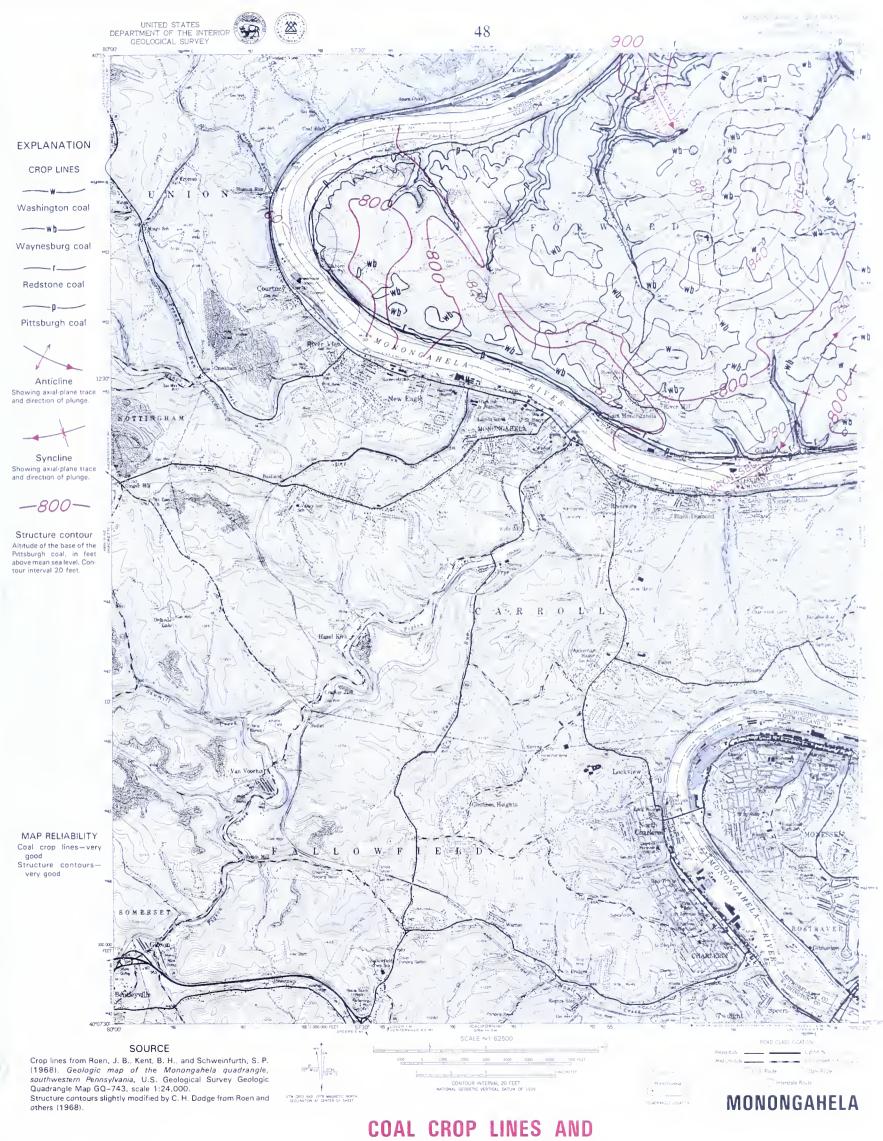






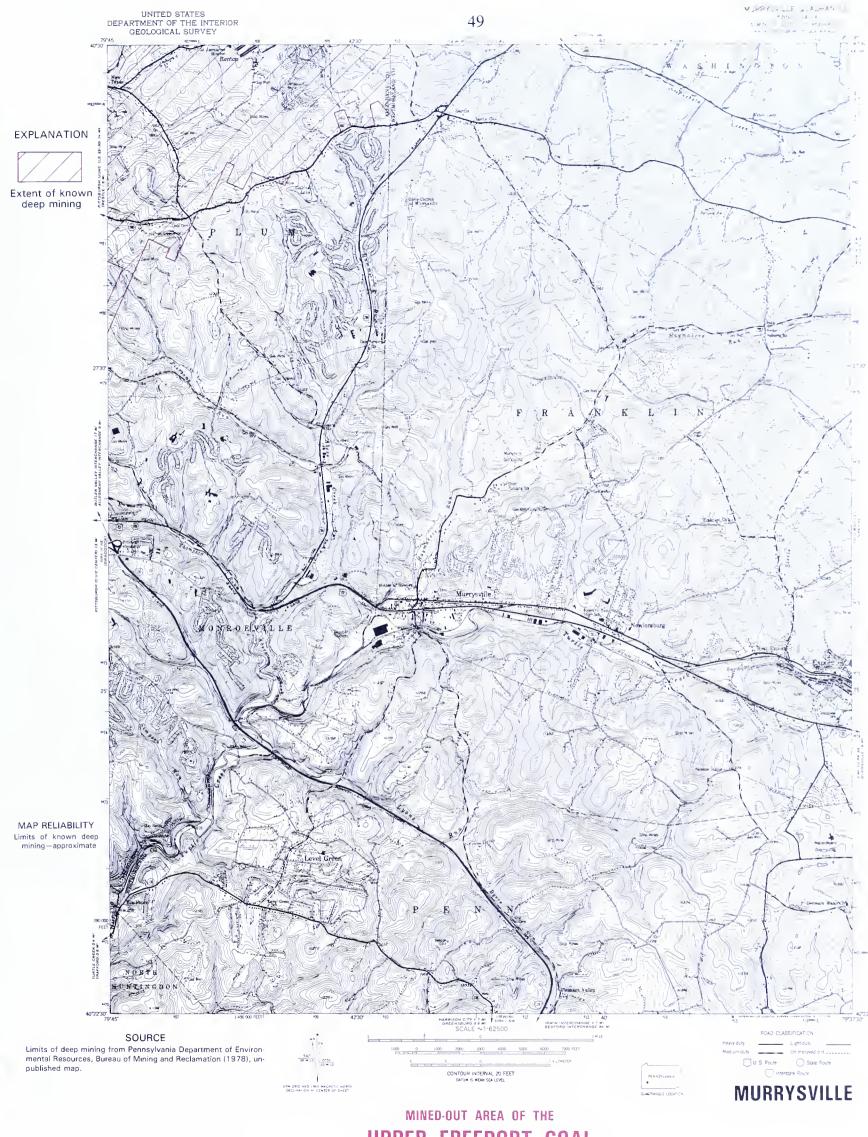
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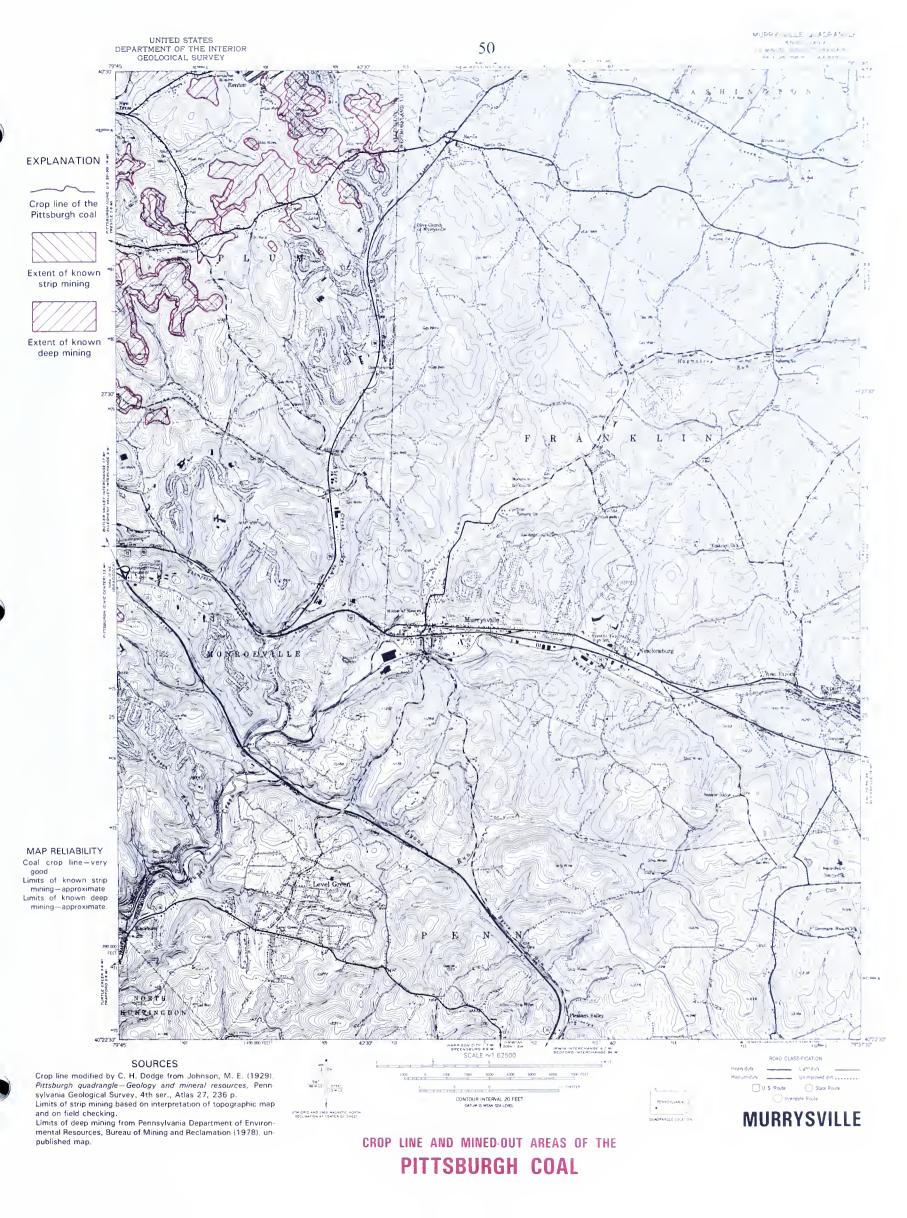
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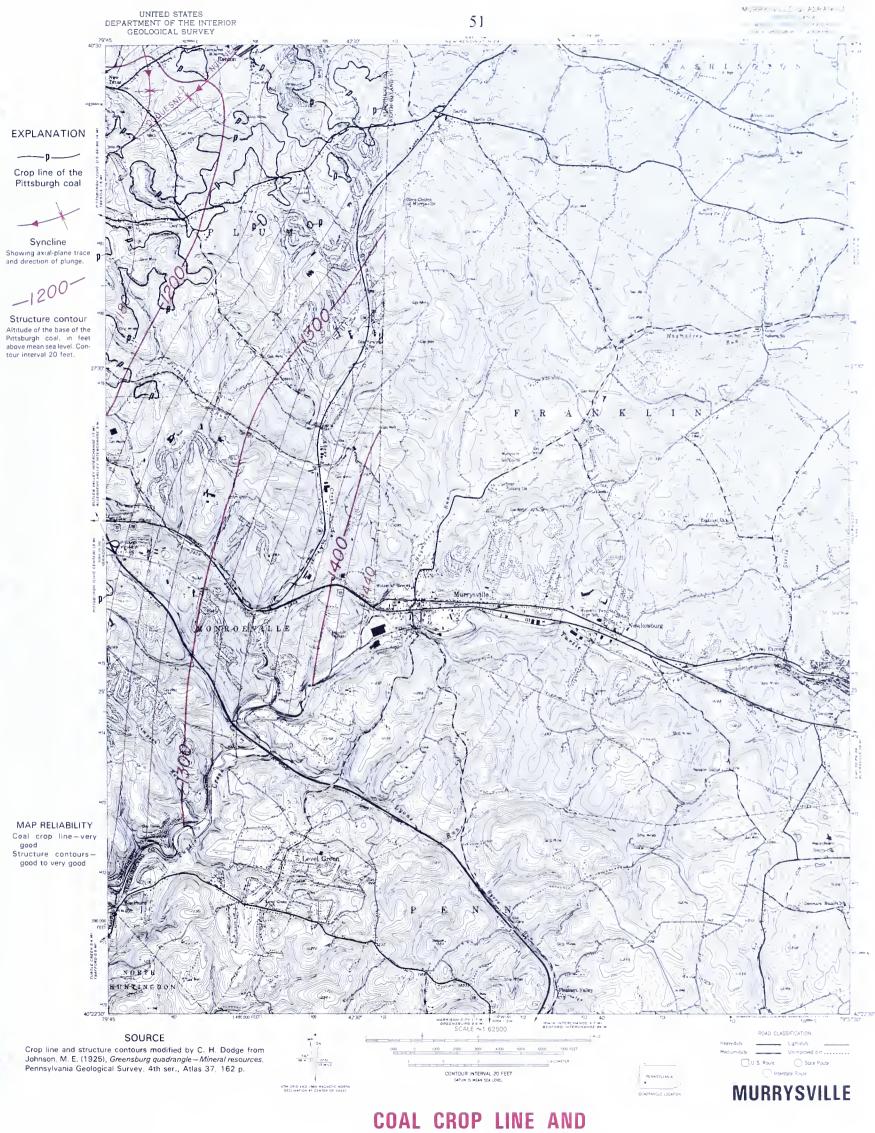


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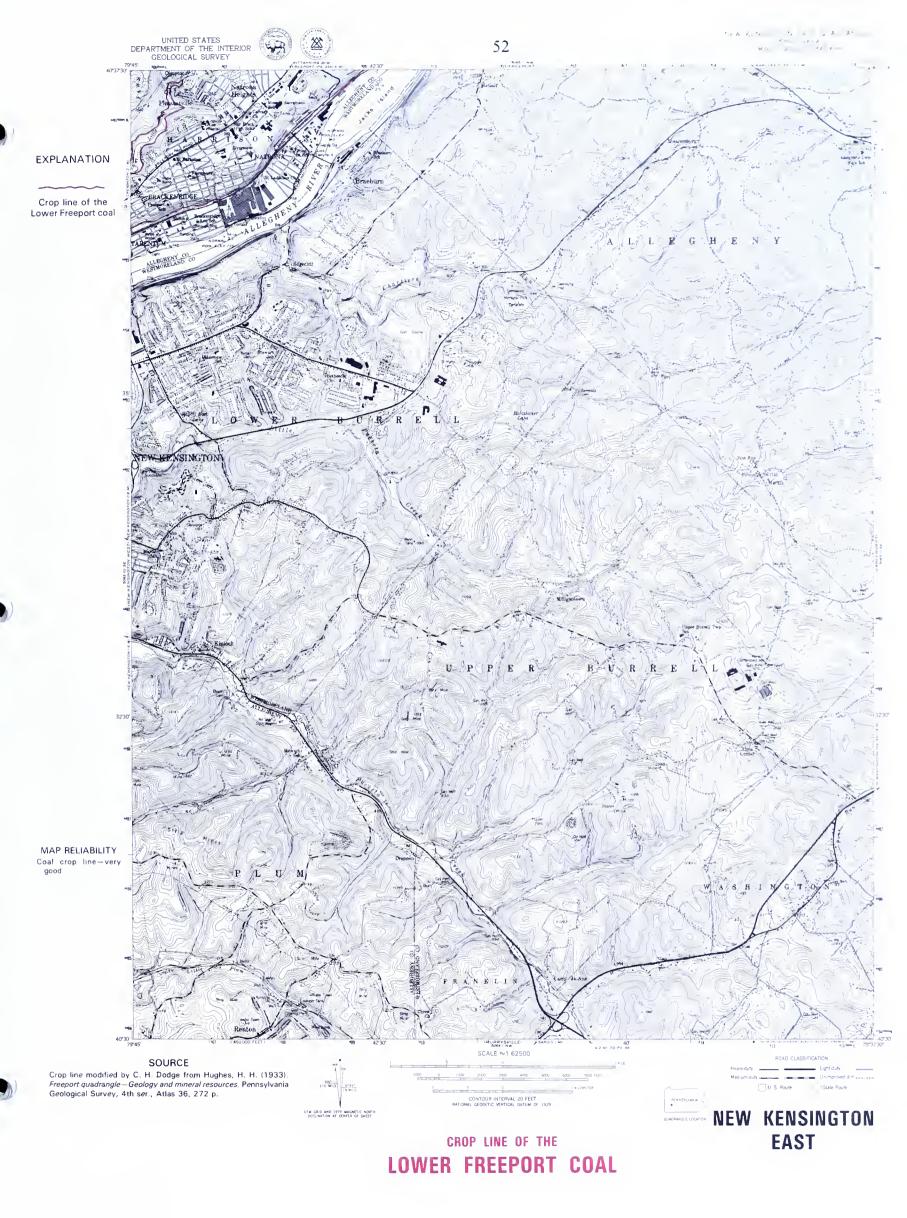




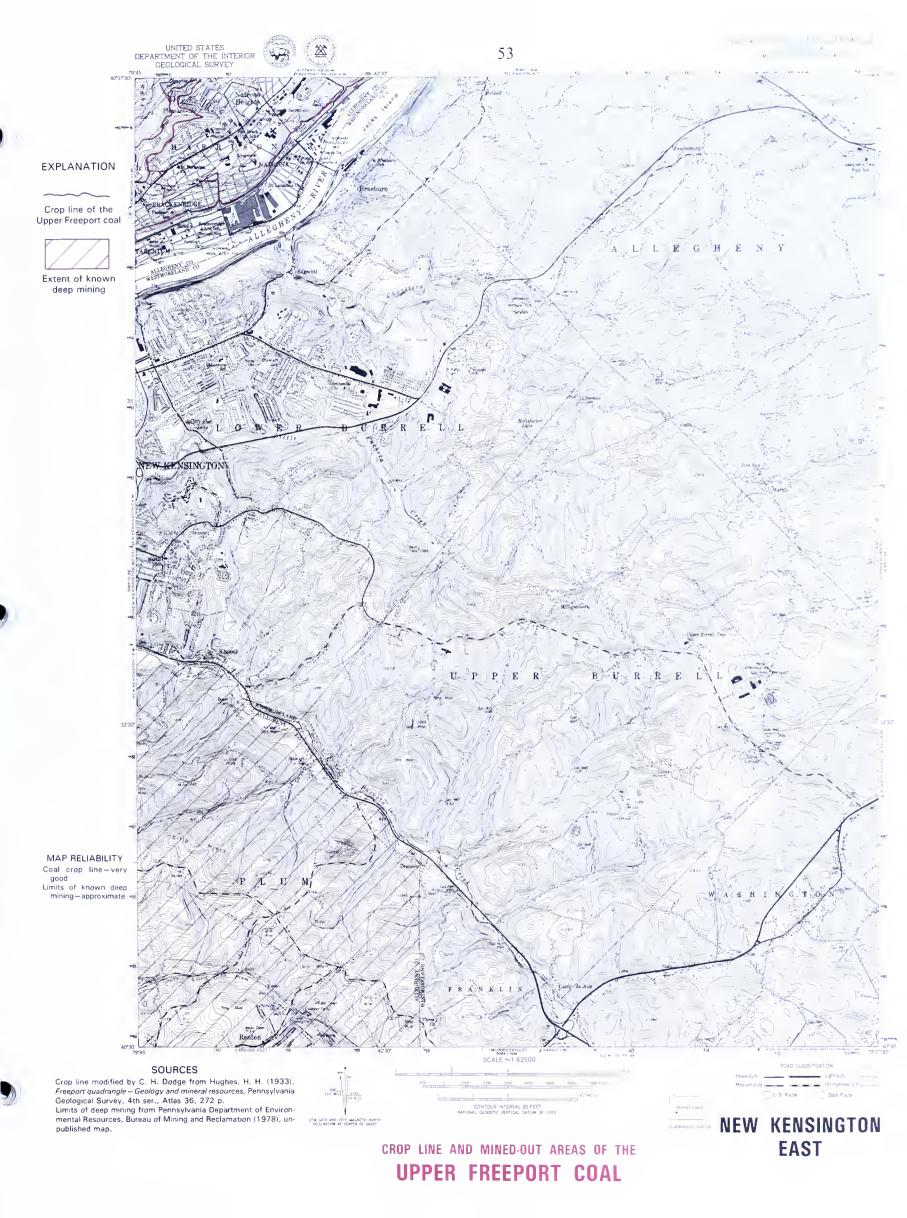


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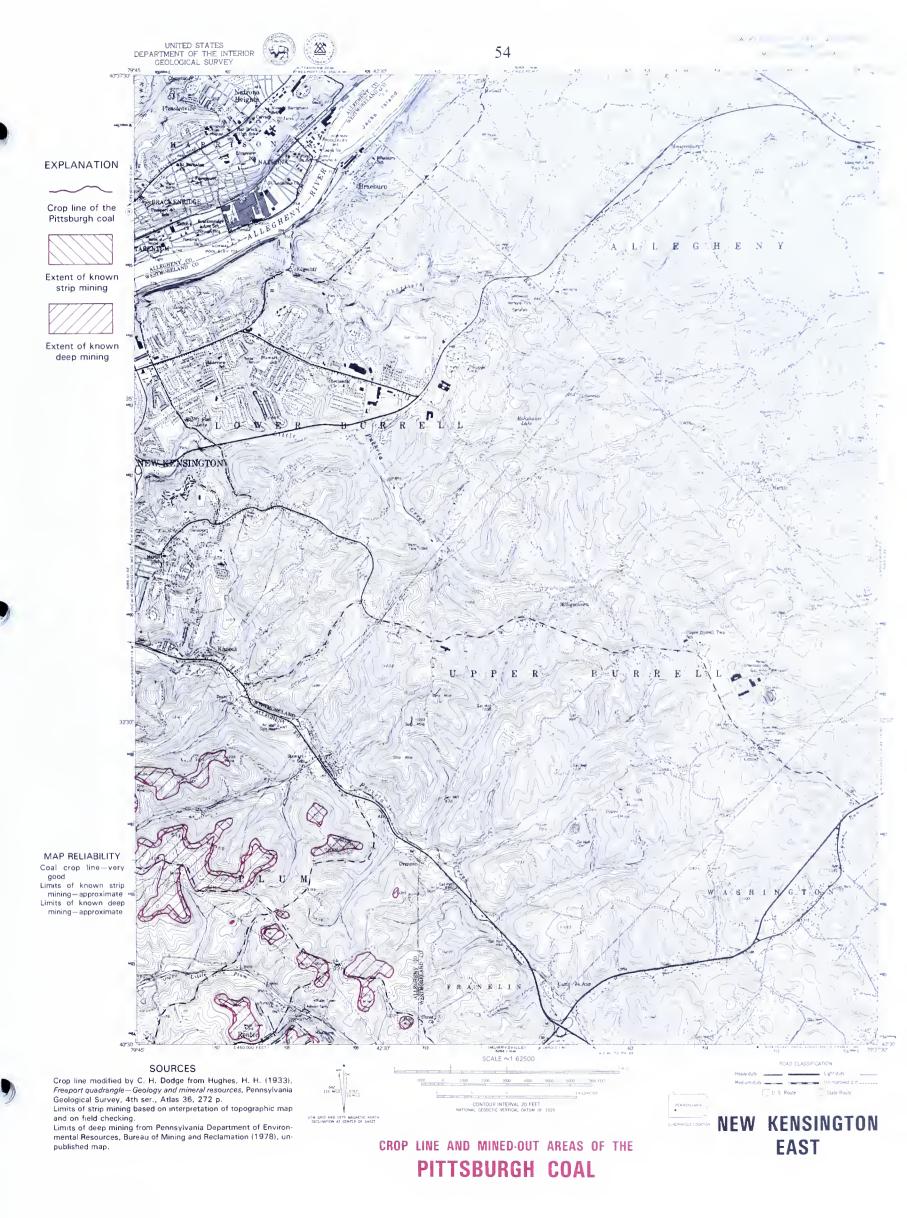




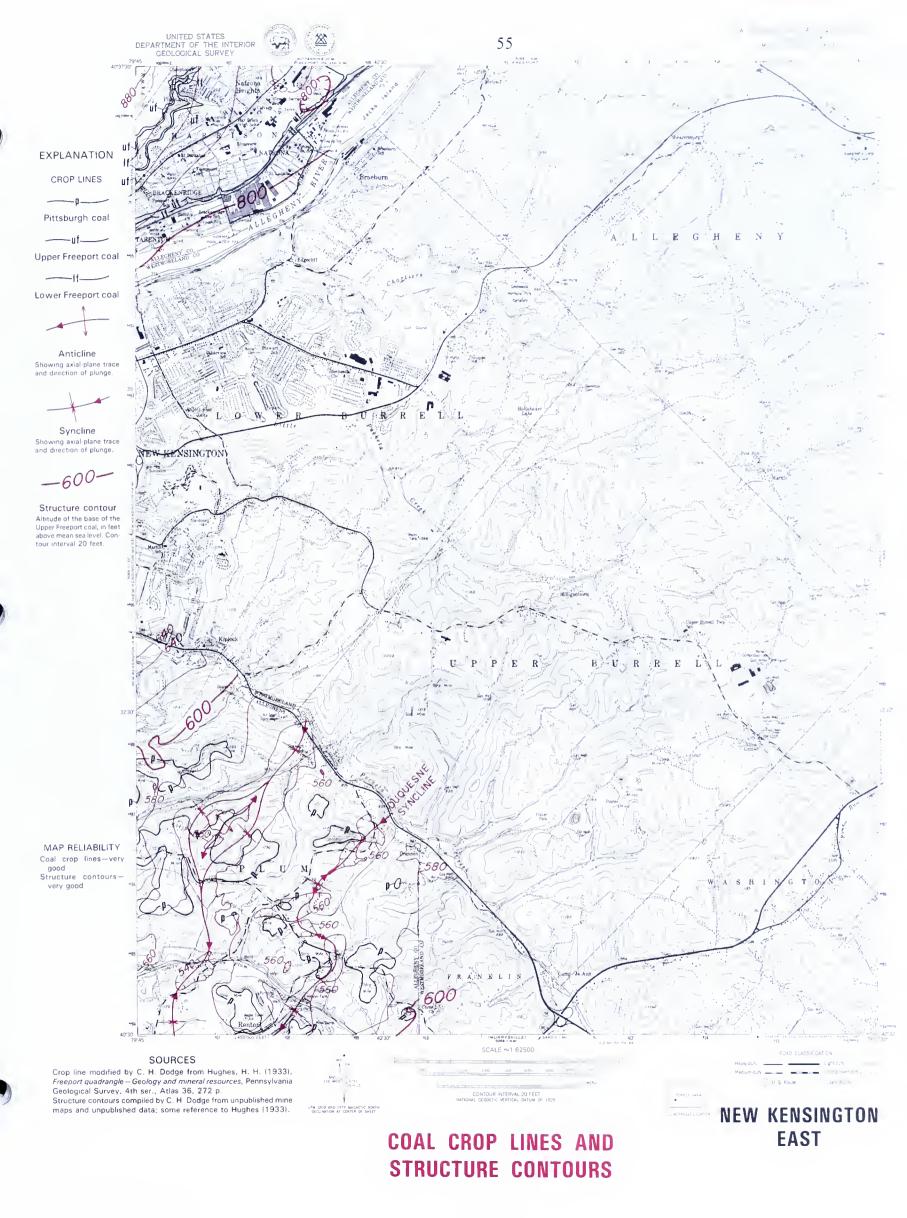




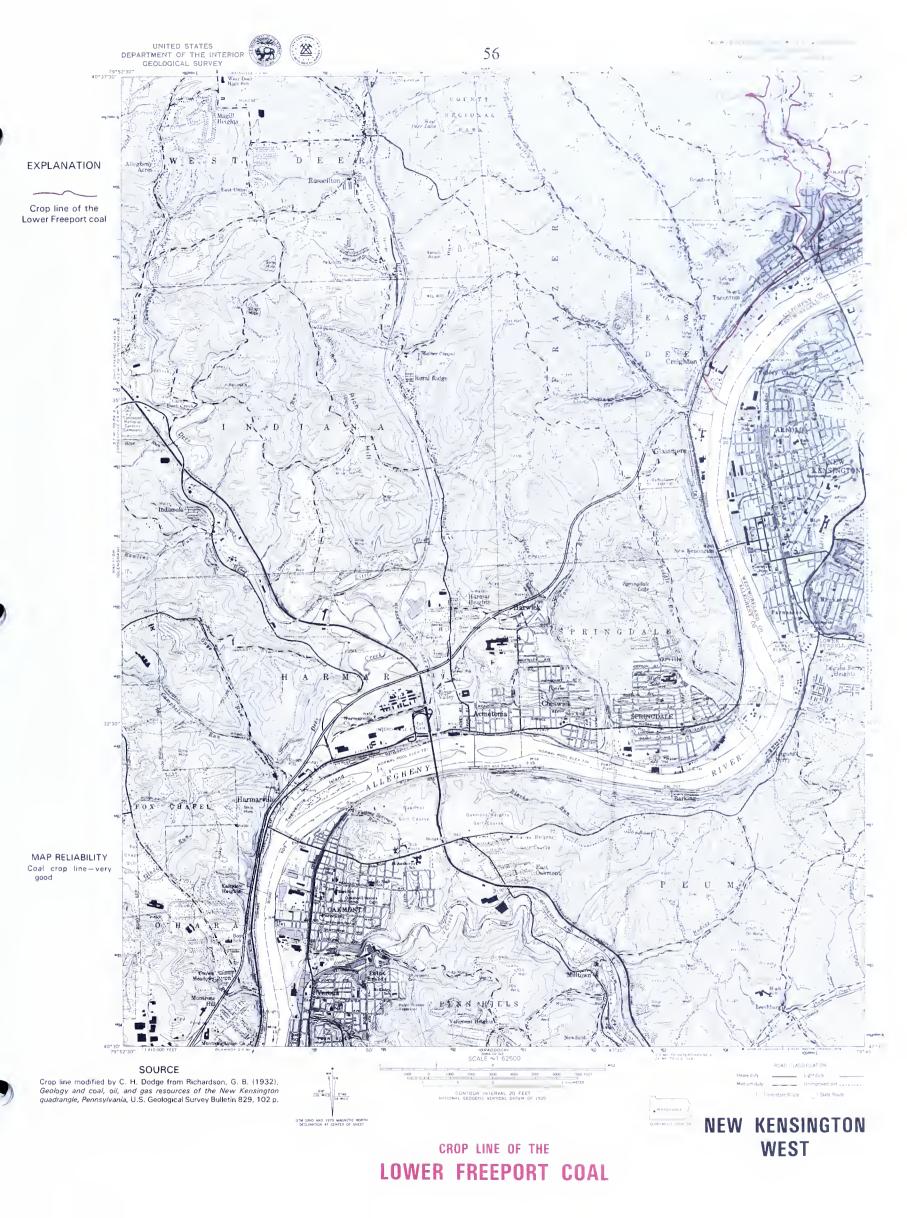








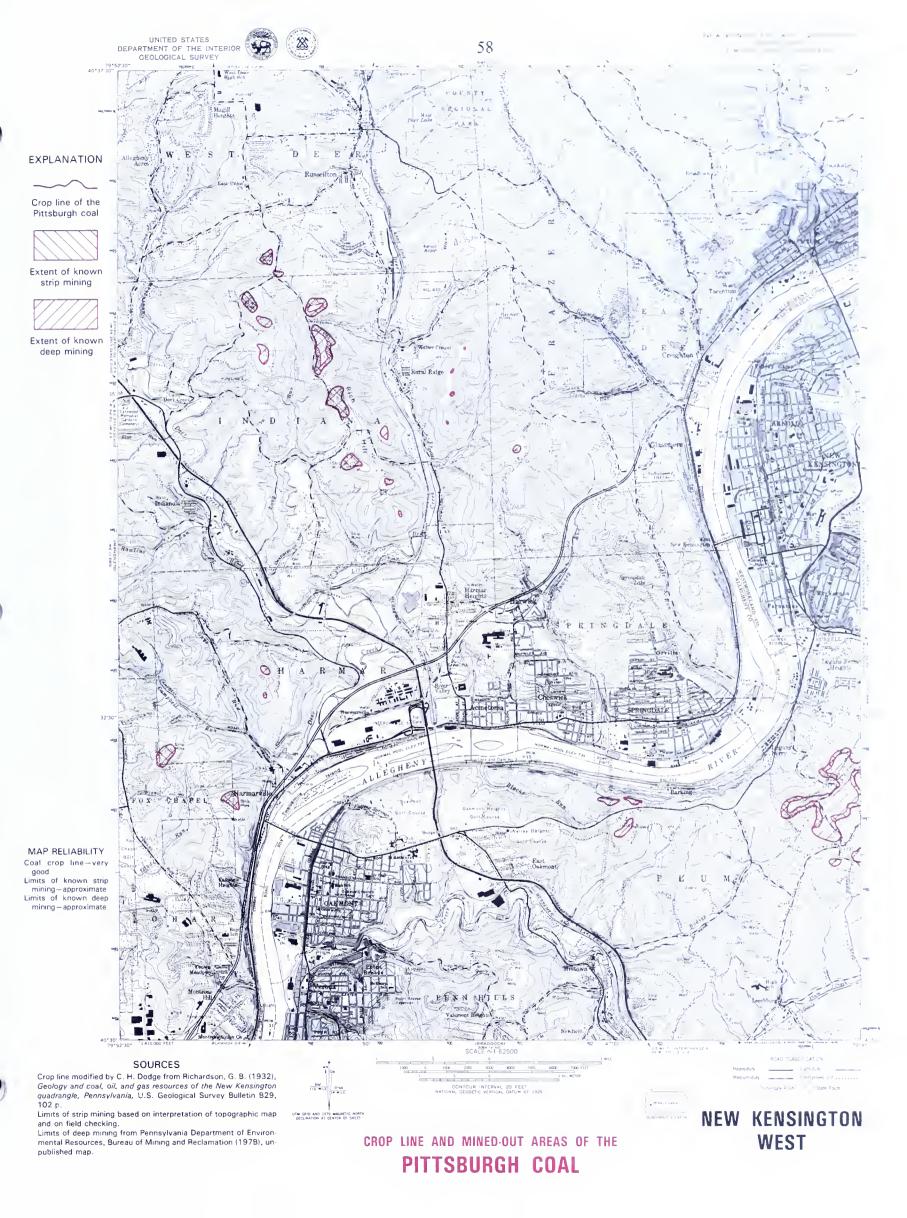




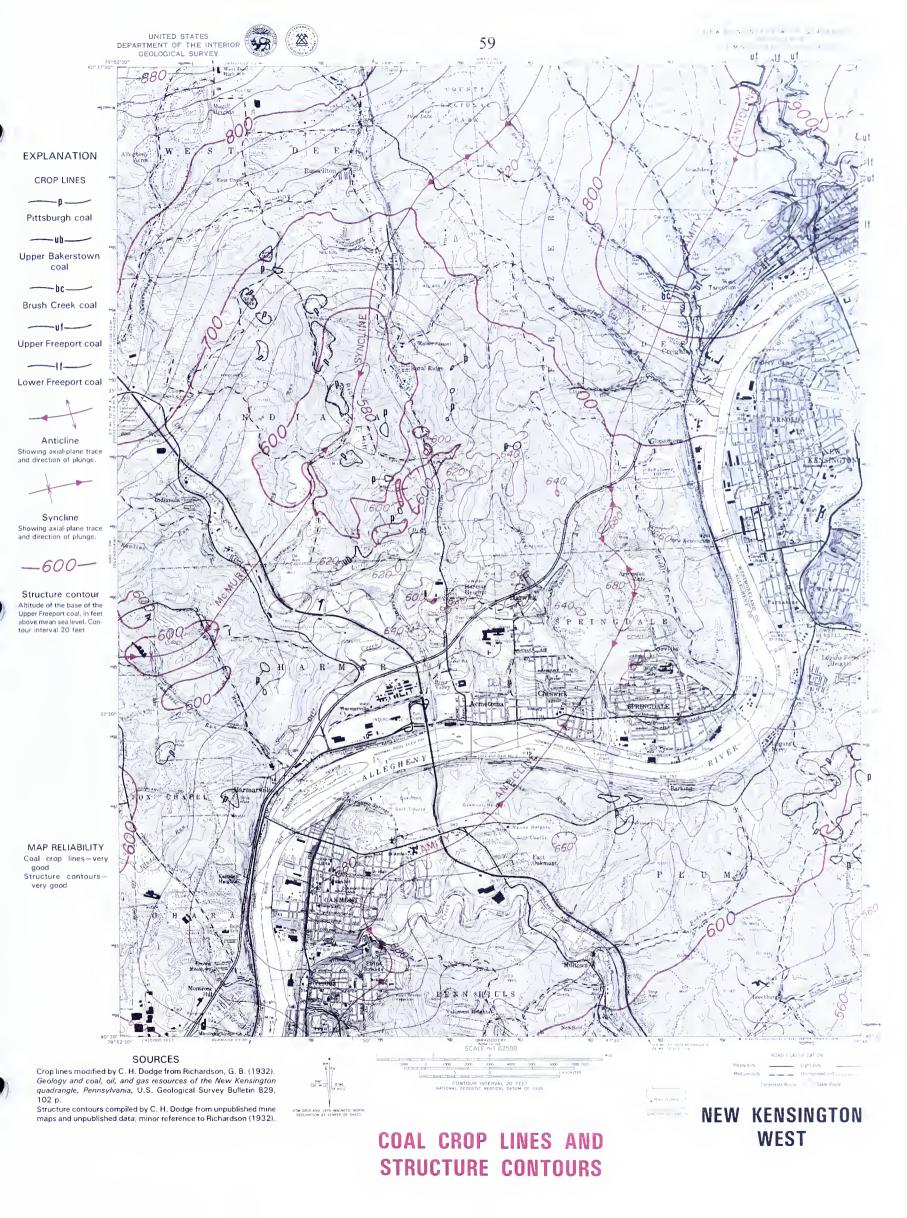




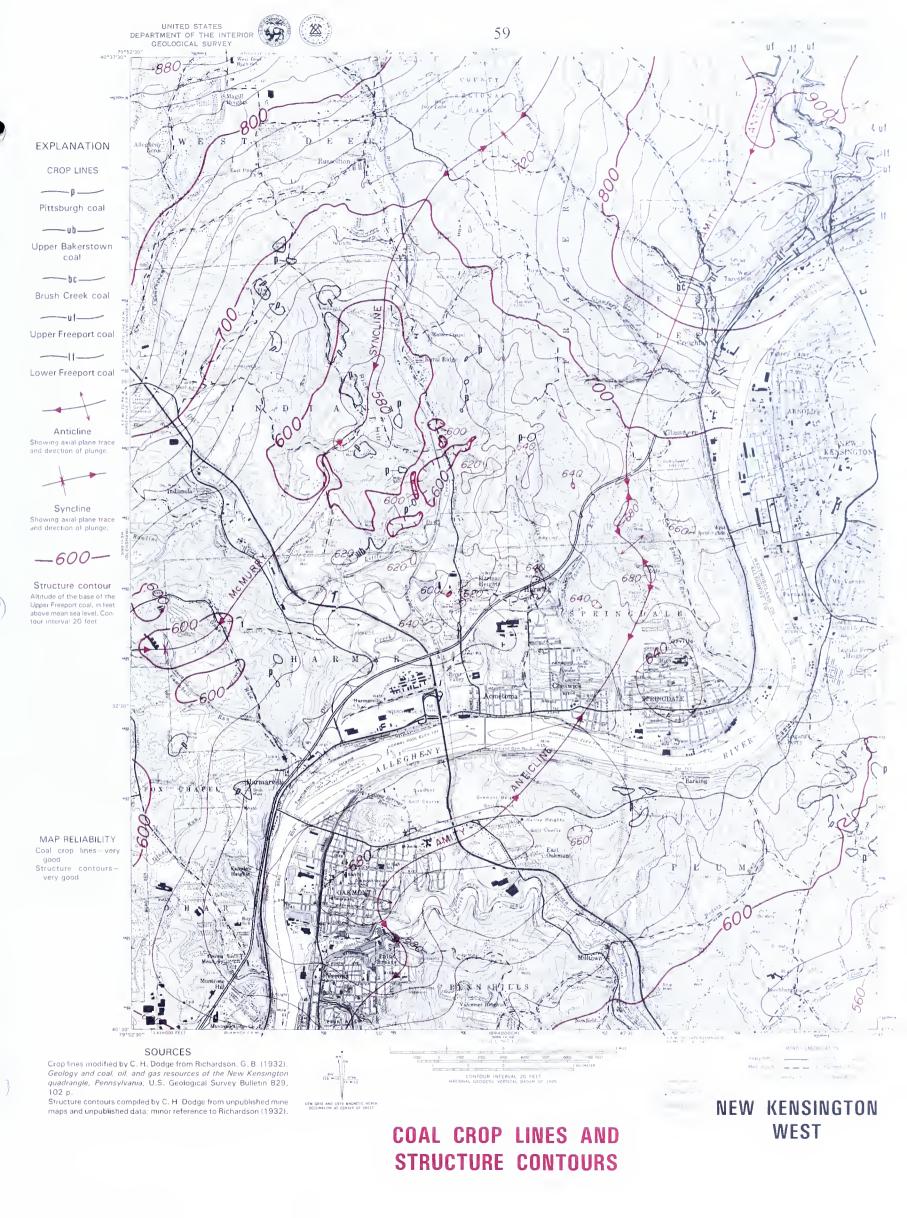




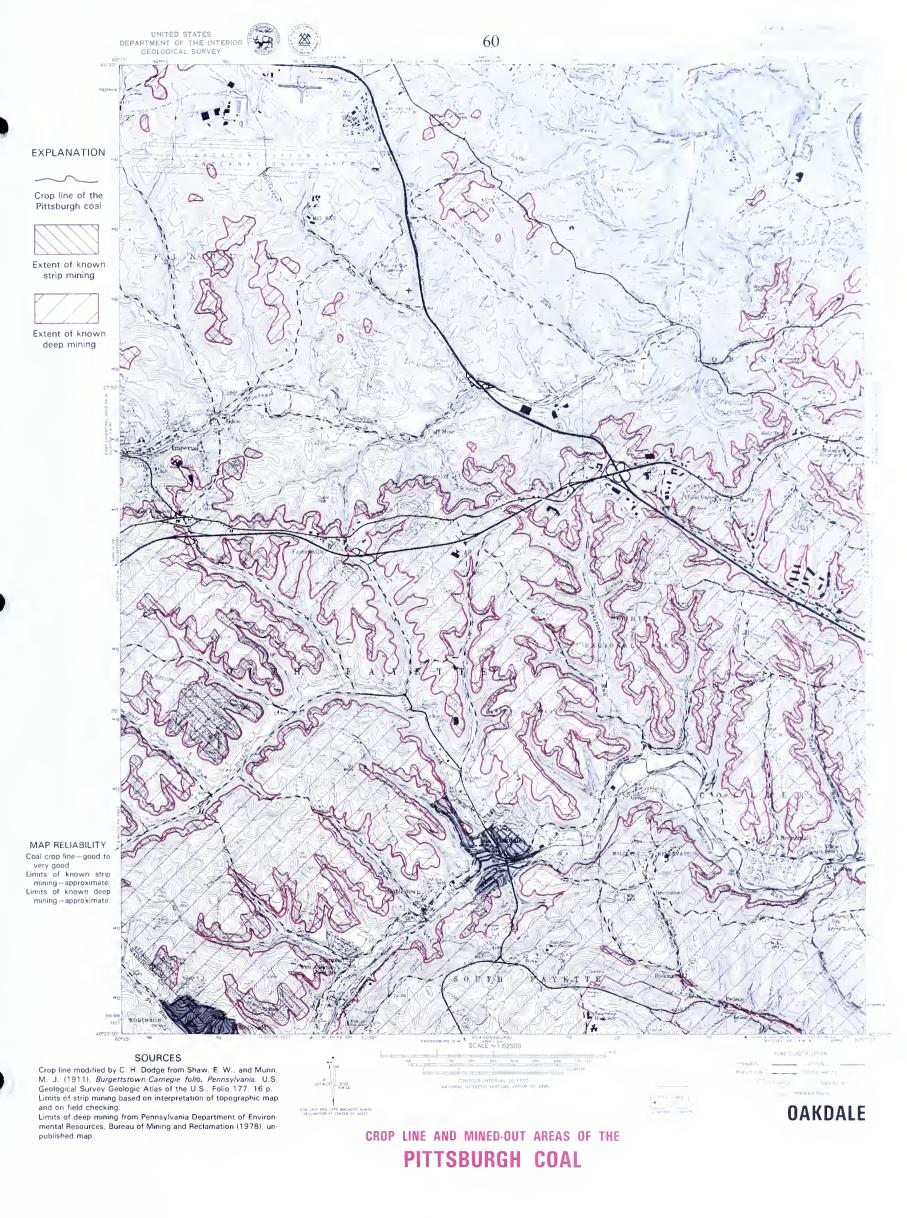










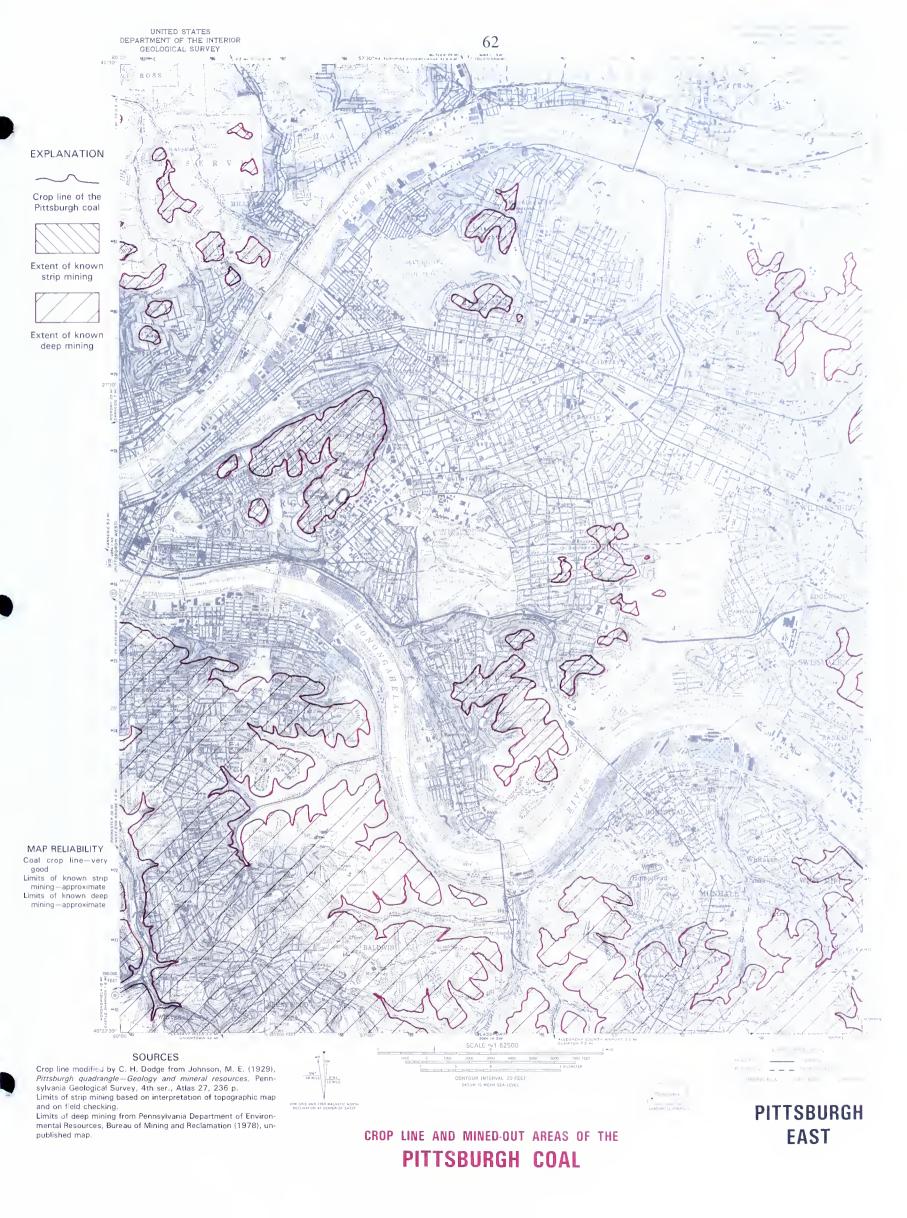




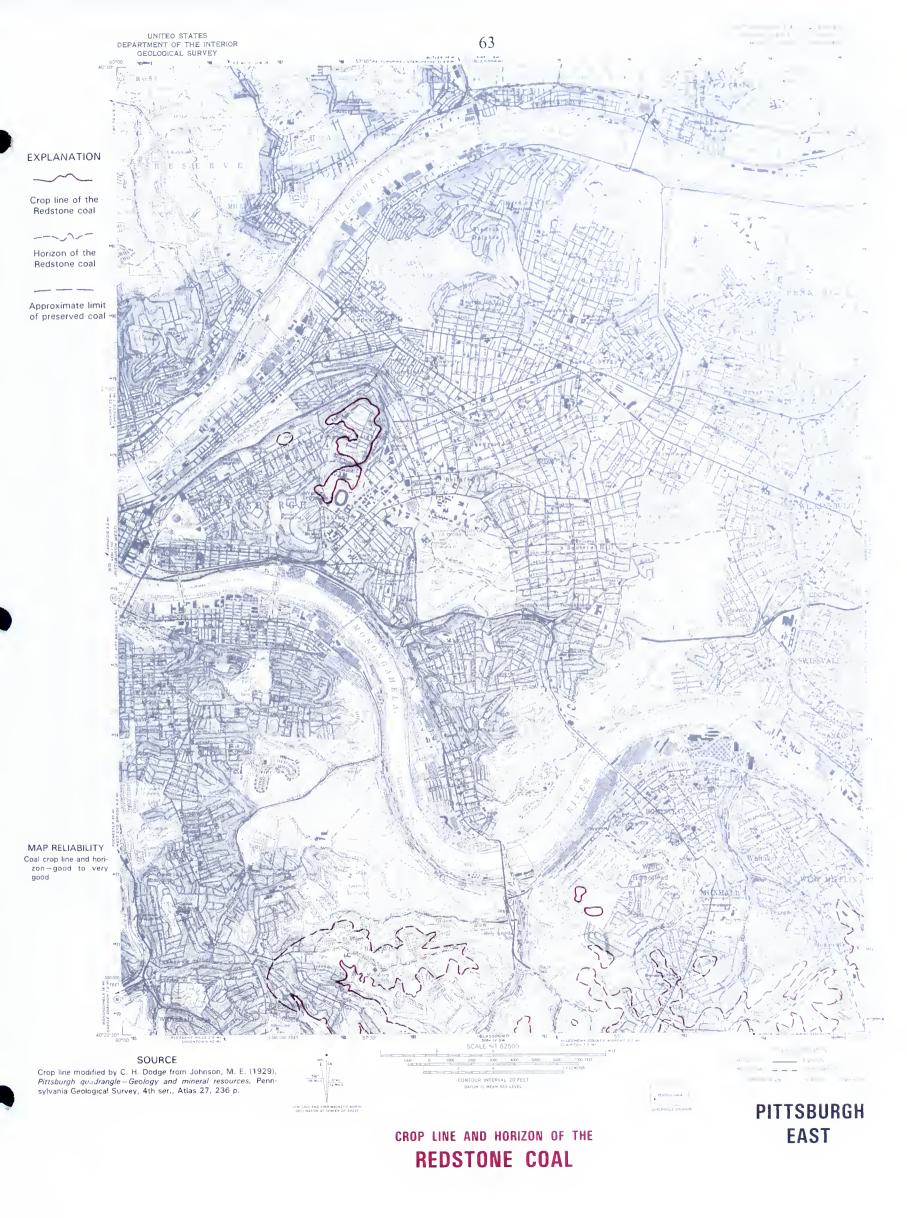


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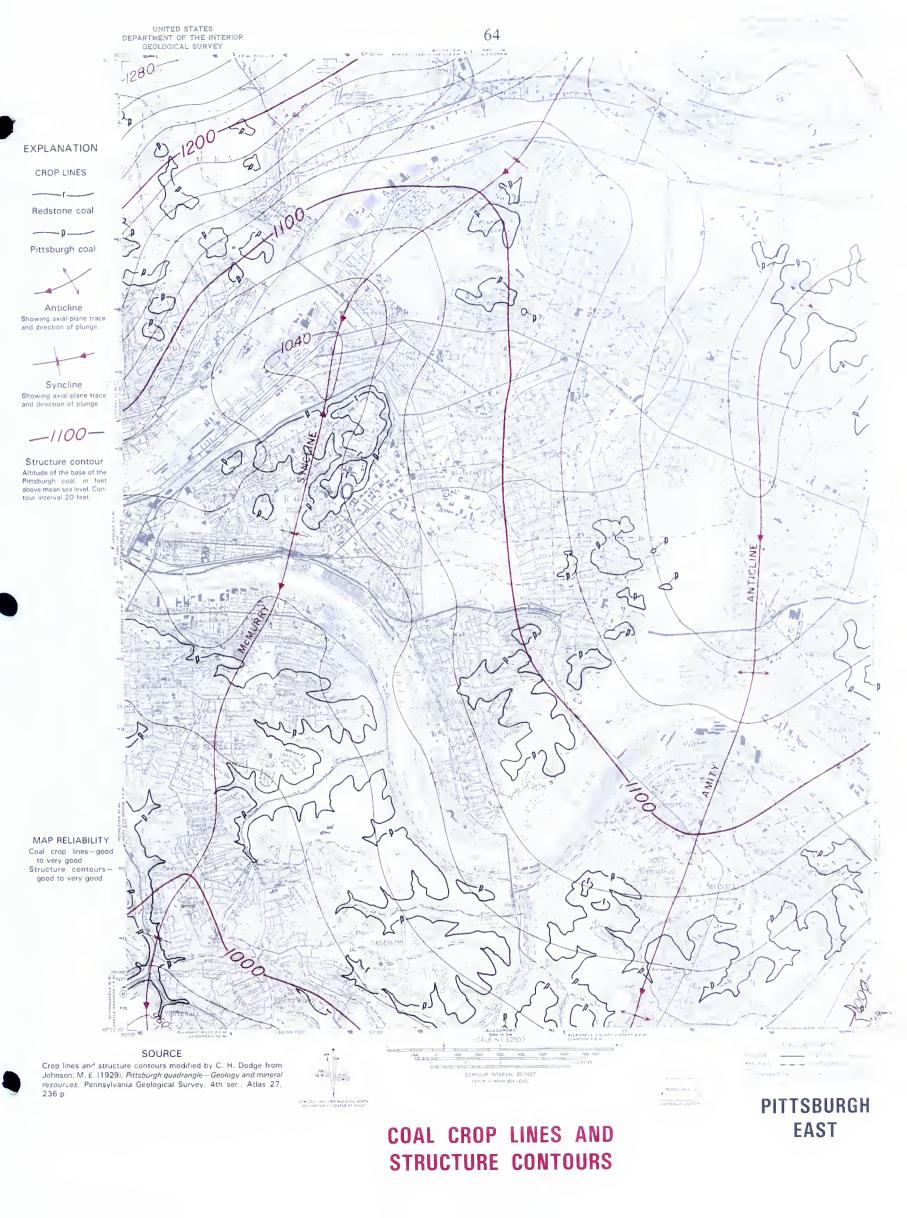
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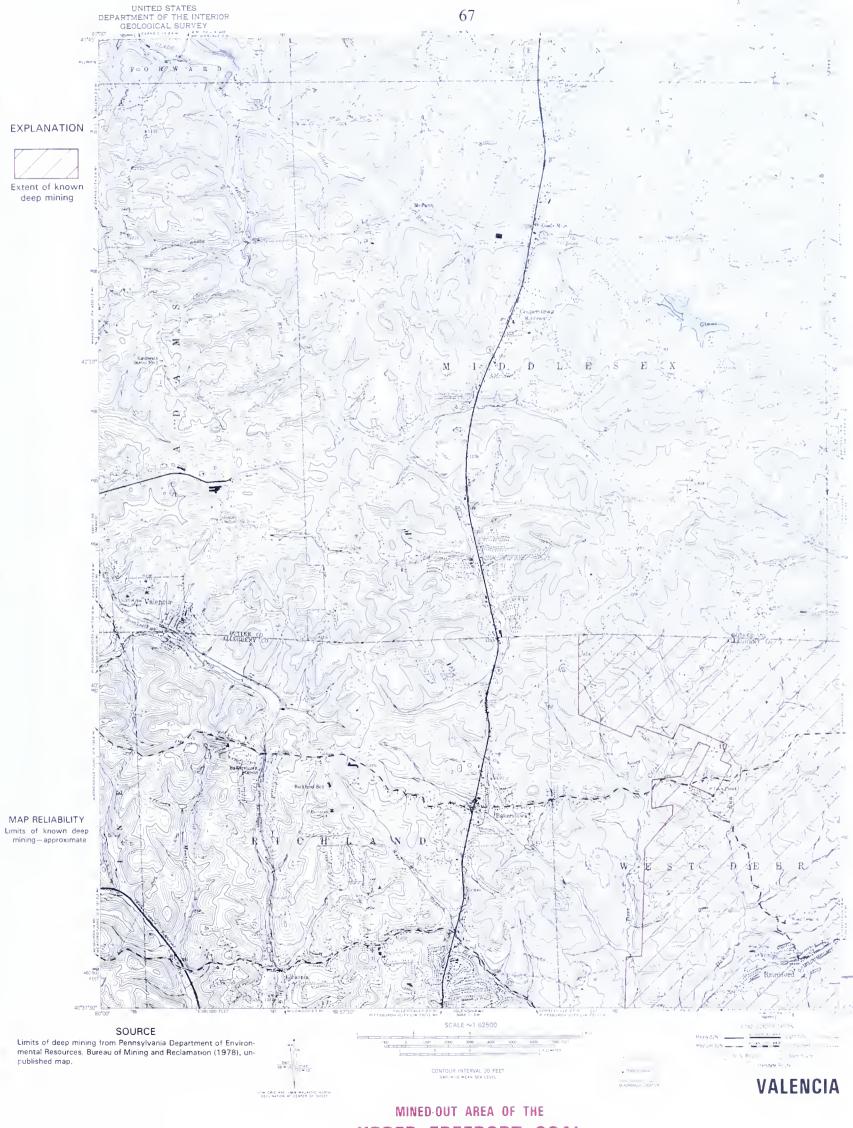






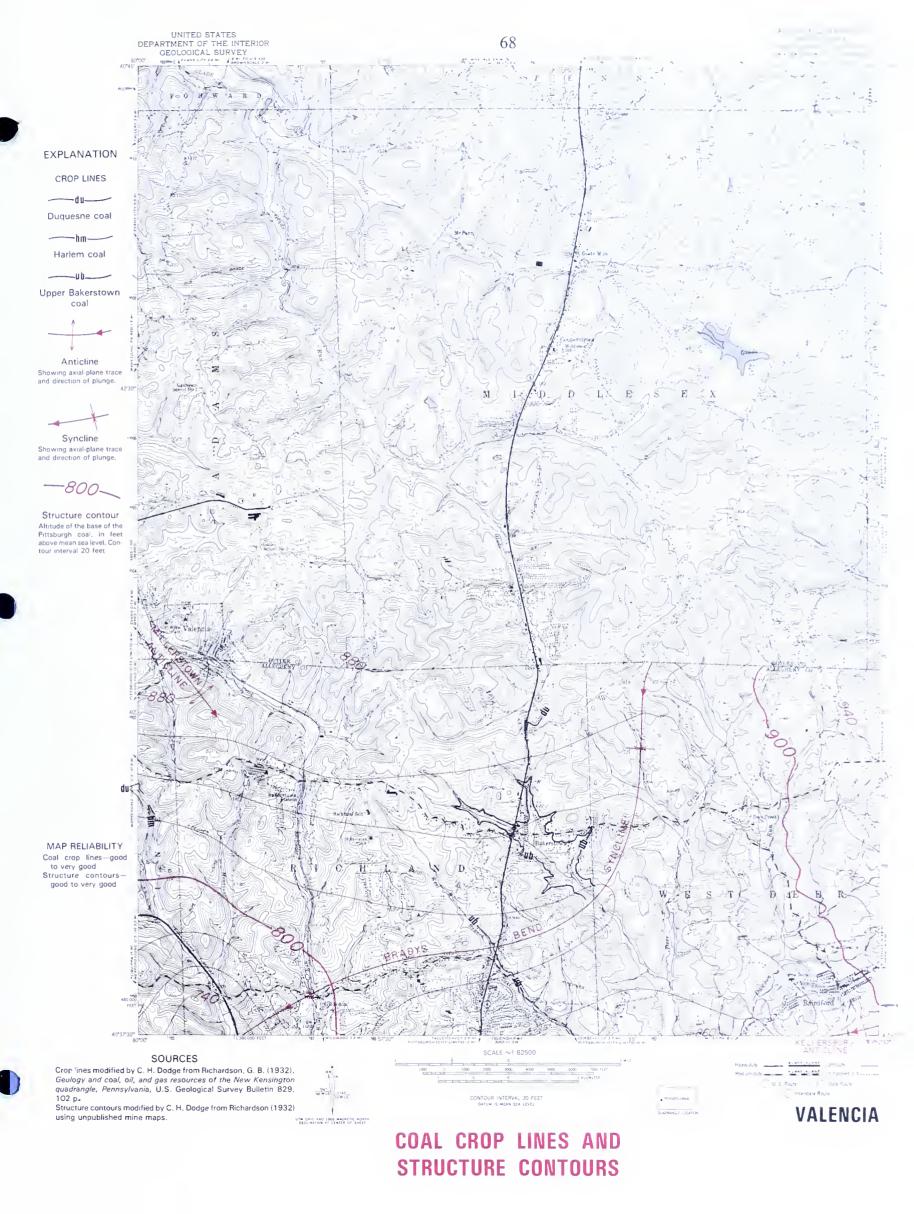
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